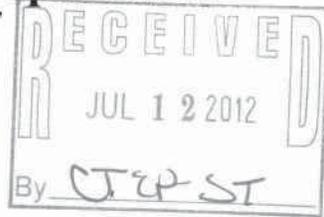


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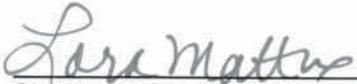
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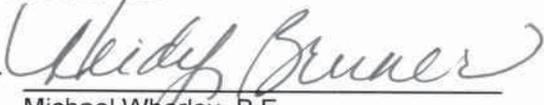
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Federal-aid Project Name: N Broadway Sidewalks – Northern Hotel  
MDT Uniform Project Number: 7547

This is a request for the Montana Department of Transportation concurrence that the proposed project study will not involve unusual circumstances as described in 23 CFR 771.117(b). It therefore qualifies as a Categorical Exclusion under the provisions of 23 CFR 771.117(c), part 3. The proposed action also qualifies as a Categorical Exclusion under the provisions of ARM 18.2.261 (Sections 75-1-103 and 75-1-201, MCA).

In accordance with the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) letter of March 29, 1999 to MDT's Environmental Services, please notify FHWA that the proposed action is being processed in accordance with 23 CFR 771.117(c).

  
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Signature of Environmental Certifying Official  
or Chief Elected Official

Lora Mattox, Transportation Planner  
Type Name and Title

Concur   
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