



May 8, 2013

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Subject: Recertify Environmental Documentation
STPS 336-1(2)0
Jct MT 7 - East
CN: 4881

Dear Jeff,

Environmental Services has reviewed the above proposed project's impacts under the provisions of 23 CFR 771.129(c) and has determined that this proposed project still qualifies as a categorical exclusion. The original categorical exclusion was signed September 11, 2002. This proposed action also continues to qualify as a categorical exclusion under the provisions of ARM 18.2.261 (Sections 75-1-103 and 75-1-201, M.C.A.). This determination is based on the following information.

The attached Alignment and Grade Report for the proposed project has been reviewed. Since approval of the categorical exclusion on September 11, 2002, there have been minor adjustments to the horizontal and vertical alignments to minimize disturbance to existing features. Two existing bridges will be replaced. We have determined that these changes will have no effect to biological, cultural, hazardous waste etc. reports. In accordance with 23 CFR 771.117(a), this action will still neither individually or cumulatively, have any significant environmental impacts.

In accordance with the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) concurrence letter of April 15, 1999, this notification documents that this proposed action is still properly classified as a categorical exclusion under the provisions of 23 CFR 771.117(d).

Sincerely,

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Attachment: Alignment and Grade Report (dated March 8, 2013)

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