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Subject: Programmatic Categorical Exclusion Concurrence Request  
NH 10-2(37)31  
Carter N Turn Lanes  
Control Number: 7965000

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Dear Alan Woodmansey:

The Montana Department of Transportation has reviewed the subject project and concluded that the previously issued Programmatic Categorical Exclusion (CE) remains valid in accordance with 23 CFR 771.117(d) for the proposed subject project. The original CE was signed by your agency on March 4, 2013. The scope of work has been adjusted by adding approximately 315 feet of mill and fill of the existing roadway pavement to the east end of the proposed project. The scope would be milling/filling and re-striping on the existing roadway through this area with no widening. The revised project limits are from approximately Reference Post (RP) 30.627 to approximately RP 31.377.

Due to the scope of work changes, the Environmental Services Bureau has analyzed the changes in regard to MEPA/NEPA applicability and concludes that the proposed action will still not have a significant environmental impact, will still qualify as a CE under 23 CFR 771.117(d), and will still qualify as a CE under ARM 18.2.261.

Therefore, the FHWA's concurrence is requested that this proposed project is properly classified as a Categorical Exclusion. If you have any questions, please contact Eric Thunstrom at 406-444-7648.

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