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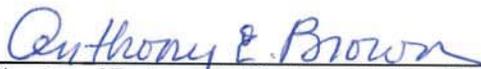
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Subject: Categorical Exclusion Group (c) Action Letter

Reference: Federal-aid Project Number: STPE 27(42)
Federal-aid Project Name: SRTS SCHOOL WALKS - TROY
MDT Uniform Project Number: 7966

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 (*MCA* Sections 75-1-103 and 75-1-201).

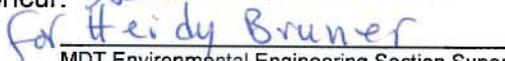
In accordance with FHWA's letter (3/29/99) to MDT's Environmental Services, please notify FHWA that the proposed action is being processed in accordance with 23 *CFR* 771.117(c).



Signature of Environmental Certifying Official or Chief Elected Official

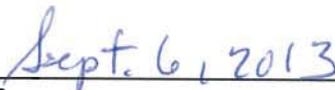
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Concur:

MDT Environmental Engineering Section Supervisor

Date



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ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

Project Name and Project Number: SRTS SCHOOL WALKS - TROY, STPE 27(42)

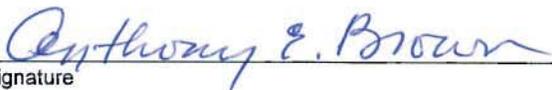
UPN: CN 7966

Area of Statutory-Regulatory Compliance (Provide precise citations for applicable statutes and regulations at the end of this Checklist.)		N/A	Review Required*	Permits Required*	Conditions and/or Mitigation Actions Required*	Note and Attach Documentation
1.	Historic Properties (SHPO)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2.	Floodplain Management (County)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.	Wetlands Protection (COE)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4.	Noise (DEQ)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5.	Air Quality (DEQ)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6.	Manmade Hazards					
	Abandoned Underground Storage Tanks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Leaking Underground Storage Tanks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Possible Hazardous Waste Sites	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Airport Clear Zones	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7.	Water Quality (DEQ or EPA for reservation projects)					
	Surface Water/Water Quality	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Groundwater & Aquifers ¹	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8.	Farmlands	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
9.	Environmental Justice	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10.	Threatened or Endangered Species, Fish & Wildlife (USF&WS)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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11. Biological Resources - Habitat containing sensitive species; either nesting, foraging, or inhabiting (MDFW&P/MSL)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12. Is there substantial, local, regional or other controversy on environmental grounds?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
13. Section 4(f) – Would project change use of park, recreation area, wildlife refuge, or waterfowl refuge (23 CFR 771.135)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
14. Section 6(f) – Would project change use of protected properties acquired or developed with Land and Water Conservation Funds administered by the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
15. List other agencies contacted.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
*Attach evidence that required actions have been taken.					
¹ Including the Missoula Sole Source Aquifer; contact the CTEP Section for further information regarding Missoula area projects.					

Certification

I certify that the findings on the proceeding Environmental Checklist accurately reflect the status of compliance with applicable laws and regulations for the proposed transportation project.


 Signature

Anthony Brown, City of Troy, Mayor
 Type Name and Title of Environmental Certifying Official

Date