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DIRECTOR OF HIGHWAYS

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RS - 348 (17)
Great Falls - Highwood

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Environmental Quality Council
Capitol Station
Helena, Montana 59601

Gentlemen:

Attached, for your information, are two (2) copies of the Agency Impact Determination for the above project, as approved by the Federal Highway Administration.

Very truly yours,

H. J. ANDERSON
DIRECTOR OF HIGHWAYS

By *Stephen C. Kologi*
Stephen C. Kologi, P. E., Chief
Preconstruction Bureau

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Enclosures

cc: K. F. Skoog

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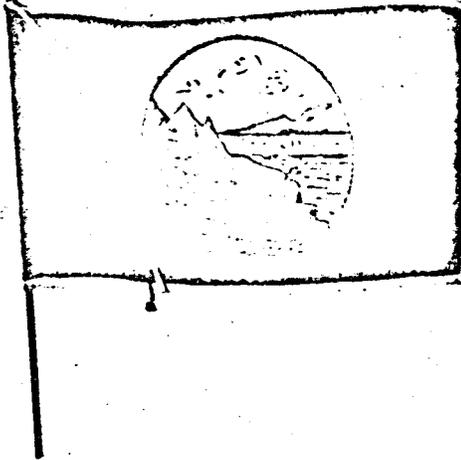
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H. J. ANDERSON,
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May 21, 1975

IN REPLY REFER TO:

RS - 348 (17)
Great Falls - Highwood

U. S. Department of Transportation
Federal Highway Administration
501 North Fee Street
Helena, Montana 59601

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Gentlemen:

This is to request your concurrence that the following Agency Impact Determination is appropriate for the subject project.

The project is located east of Great Falls on the Great Falls - Highwood highway. It begins about 1 mile east of Malmstrom Air Force Base at the intersection of Federal Aid Secondary Route 228 and Federal Aid Primary Route 11 (U. S. 87-89) and proceeds northerly and easterly along FAS 228 for about 13.7 miles to the FAS 228-331 junction. The work to be performed will consist of the following: 1) minor grading and shaping of the existing roadway 2) stabilization of some of the large, existing fills on the project 3) leveling courses on some sections 4) plant mix surfacing on some sections 5) chip and seal the entire 13.7 miles 6) stripe the entire project and 7) possibly some work on the bridge over Red Coulee.

The project is not a major action and it is our opinion that the effect on the environment will be insignificant. The possibility does exist that a minor amount of new right-of-way may be required to stabilize one or two fills, however, if it does become necessary, the amount of land involved will be very minor. No alteration of traffic flow patterns will occur. The major impact of the project will be to provide a safer and more efficient transportation facility for the traveling public.

The air quality impact of the project will be insignificant and noise standards are not applicable to this type of work. Some minor water pollution could occur in the vicinity of the Red Coulee Bridge, however, the contractor will be required to adhere to all laws, regulations, specifications, etc. which apply to the minimization of water pollution.

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We are also at this time requesting your approval to waive the requirements for public hearings and location and design approval notifications.

Very truly yours,

H. J. ANDERSON
DIRECTOR OF HIGHWAYS

By Stephen C. Kologi
Stephen C. Kologi, P. E., Chief
Preconstruction Bureau

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- cc: J. R. Beckert
- K. F. Skoog
- J. T. Sullivan
- D. D. Anderson
- R. E. Champion

Concur:

[Signature]
Federal Highway Administration

Date: 5-18-75

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