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ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION CHECKLIST

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PROPOSED ACTION Access Control Easement

COUNTY Lewis & Clark TOWNSHIP 14N RANGE 8W SECTION 19

\*(Yes) (No) (NA)

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|--------------|--------------|------------|---|
| <u>   </u>   | <u>  ✓  </u> | <u>   </u> | 1. Significant use of area by important wildlife and fish species.  |
| <u>  ✓  </u> | <u>   </u>   | <u>   </u> | 2. Important vegetation communities present which may influence or be influenced by proposed project.   |
| <u>   </u>   | <u>  ✓  </u> | <u>   </u> | 3. Significant historical, archaeological, or paleontological resource present.   |
| <u>  ✓  </u> | <u>   </u>   | <u>   </u> | 4. Significant topographic features, terrain or aesthetic values are present.   |
| <u>  ✓  </u> | <u>   </u>   | <u>   </u> | 5. Reconstruction of existing roads or trails or new road are proposed.   |
| <u>   </u>   | <u>  ✓  </u> | <u>   </u> | 6. Important surface or groundwater resources present.  |
| <u>   </u>   | <u>  ✓  </u> | <u>   </u> | 7. Fragile, compactible, or unstable soils present.   |
| <u>  ✓  </u> | <u>   </u>   | <u>   </u> | 8. Buildings, structures, pipelines, powerlines or other utilities located nearby.  |
| <u>   </u>   | <u>  ✓  </u> | <u>   </u> | 9. Land has been included as a part of a baseline study or other type of report, for any purpose. (e.g. Natural Area Program, Resource Development Bureau projects, rights-of-way, easements, or other leasing actions) |
| <u>   </u>   | <u>  ✓  </u> | <u>   </u> | 10. Previously permitted or leased activities on this tract resulted in special protective stipulations.  |
| <u>   </u>   | <u>  ✓  </u> | <u>   </u> | 11. Present tract management is influenced significantly by adjacent state, federal or private land management practices.   |
| <u>   </u>   | <u>  ✓  </u> | <u>   </u> | 12. Tract is near designated Class I air area, or non-attainment area.  |
| <u>   </u>   | <u>  ✓  </u> | <u>   </u> | 13. Tract contains areas with unique or special reclamation considerations (past mining, erosion, saline seep, etc.).   |
| <u>  ✓  </u> | <u>   </u>   | <u>   </u> | 14. Public Interest.  |

\* Explain all "yes" answers in narrative form and attach to checklist.

15. Additional Comments: (If so, explain in attached narrative)

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Based on my review of the above action I have included that a EA is is not required  
(Circle appropriate response.)

because: it is covered by an environmental analysis done by the Montana Highway Department.

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2. Approx. 12-15 old growth Ponderosa Pine are located in the existing Right-of-way.
4. The same old growth Ponderosa Pine have significant aesthetic value to the people of the Lincoln community.
5. Reconstruction of highway 200 is proposed.
8. Buildings, powerlines, and a power substation are located nearby but should not be impacted by proposal.
14. There has been a public interest expressed by people of the Lincoln community about the preservation of the old growth Ponderosa pine.