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ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION CHECKLIST

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File 016.3

PROPOSED ACTION Flathead River Bridge Construction

County Flathead Township 28N Range 21W Section 2

\*(Yes) (No) (NA)

- 1. Significant use of area by important wildlife & fish species.
- 2. Important vegetation communities present which may influence or be influenced by proposed project.
- 3. Significant historical, archaeological, or paleontological resource present.
- 4. Significant topographic features, terrain or aesthetic values are present.
- 5. Reconstruction of existing roads or trails, or new road are proposed.
- 6. Important surface or groundwater resources present.
- 7. Fragile, compactible, or unstable soils present.
- 8. Buildings, structures, pipelines, powerlines or other utilities located nearby.
- 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).
- 10. Previously permitted or leased activities on this tract resulted in special protective stipulations.
- 11. Present tract management is influenced significantly by adjacent state, federal or private land management practices.
- 12. Tract is near designated Class I air area, or non-attainment area.
- 13. Tract contains areas with unique or special reclamation considerations (past mining, erosion, saline seep, etc.)
- 14. Public Interest.

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

X 15. Additional comments (If so, explain in attached narrative).

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Based on my review of the above action, I have concluded that an EA is/is not required because only the two east piers will be in the established river channel. All impacts are reviewed by the Department of Transportation.

Area Manager/Bureau Chief  
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*Del J. [unclear]*  
*For* JAMES F. GRAY

Date 11 March, 1992

1. Reviewed by FW&P. Report not available - at Highway Department office in Helena.
5. Reconstruction of existing Highway 206 Bridge across Flathead River.
6. Flathead River (See # 15 below)
8. There are utilities, pipelines and powerlines, a gravel pit plus several private structures nearby, but there are no impacts from this action.
14. Public interested in construction since old bridge is in poor condition and too narrow for today's standards.
15. The Department of Transportation must obtain all permits pertaining to water quality from the Department of Health and Environmental Sciences and the Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks. The Department of Transportation must abide by the stipulations in these and other permits necessary in the construction of the bridge.