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Environmental Quality Council  
Room 171, State Capitol  
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LEGISLATIVE ENVIRONMENTAL  
POLICY OFFICE

Subject: **MDT Statewide Maintenance Projects**  
**Poplar to Flaxville – Roosevelt County**  
ID: S-251  
Reference Post from: 23.9  
Reference Post to: 24.1

The Environmental Services Bureau of the Montana Department of Transportation has reviewed the Environmental Checklist for the Maintenance Pavement Preservation Activities. We have determined that the Statewide PCE for these types of projects would cover this project.

If there are special provisions for these projects the special provisions are attached or included on the checklist. I have attached the checklists and the location maps for your information.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact me at 444-0456.

Tom Hansen, P.E.  
Engineering Section Supervisor  
Environmental Services Bureau

Attachments

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copies: Jon Swartz, Maintenance  
Karl Pula, Maintenance Superintendent-Wolf Point  
Mark A. Wissinger, P.E., Construction Engineer, Highways and Engineering Division  
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## ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST FOR MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES

**Applicant (Maintenance Chief) cannot be authorized to proceed with the proposed work until ALL of the conditions of the checklist have been satisfied.**

**(FOR PROJECTS WITH NO RIGHT-OF-WAY INVOLVEMENT)**

Project No.: FAS S-15 (3) 10 37 ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Designation: Poplar to Flaxville T31N, R51E, Sec. 10  
5-251

Proposed Date of Maintenance Activity: Sept. 6, thru Nov. 30, 2005 Federal Funds Involved? Yes  No

Reference Post (Station) 23.9 (Sta. 1264+00) to Reference Post (Station) 24.1 (Sta. 1272+00)

Applicants Name: Mt. Dept of Transportation Address: HC 31 Box 3000, Wolf Point Mt. 59201

Type of Proposed Maintenance Activity: Dirt move. Remove a hill that causes a snow problem in the winter months.

### IMPACTS ON THE PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT (TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT)

Impact Questions	[Y/N] There are Potential Impacts; or Item Requires Documentation, Evaluation, Mitigation Measures, and/or (a) Permit(s).		
	Yes	No	Comment or List Documentation, Evaluation, Mitigation Measure, and/or (a) Permit(s) Required for Items 1 through 7. (Use attachments if necessary)
1. Does the proposed action require work in, across, and/or adjacent to a river which is a component of, or proposed for inclusion in Montana's Wild and/or Scenic Rivers system. (See listing on page 3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Do not place material within 100 meters of A stream or wetland
2. Are there any recorded occurrences, and/or critical habitat for Federally-listed Threatened and Endangered Species in the vicinity of the proposed activity?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3. Does the proposed action have an impact on water quality? If answer is NO go to question 4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3a. If the answer to number 3 is yes, is a Clean Water Act ' Section 402 permit required? (MPDES Issued by MDEQ)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
4. Does the proposed project have impacts to wetlands or waters of the U.S.? If answer is NO go to question 5.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
4a. If the answer to number 4 is yes, is a Clean Water Act ' 404 permit authorization required?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
4b. If the answer to number 3 or 4 is yes, is a Stream Protection Act ' 124SPA permit required? (Issued by MDFWP)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
5. Does the proposed project involve hazardous waste site[s]? (Superfund, spills, underground storage tanks, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Checked NRIS. JZ
6. Is the proposed activity on and/or within approximately 1.6 Km (1 mile) of an Indian Reservation? If answer is NO go to question 7.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6a. Are any Tribal water permits required?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
7. Is the proposed project in a "Class I Air Shed" (Some Indian Reservations)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

8. Magnitude and significance of potential impacts: To be completed by applicant.

Checklist prepared by: Karl A. Pula  
 Applicant (Maintenance Chief)

Maintenance Superintendent  
 Title

August 23, 2005  
 Date

Approved by:

ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING  
 SECTION SUPERVISOR

10/4/05

Environmental Services

Title

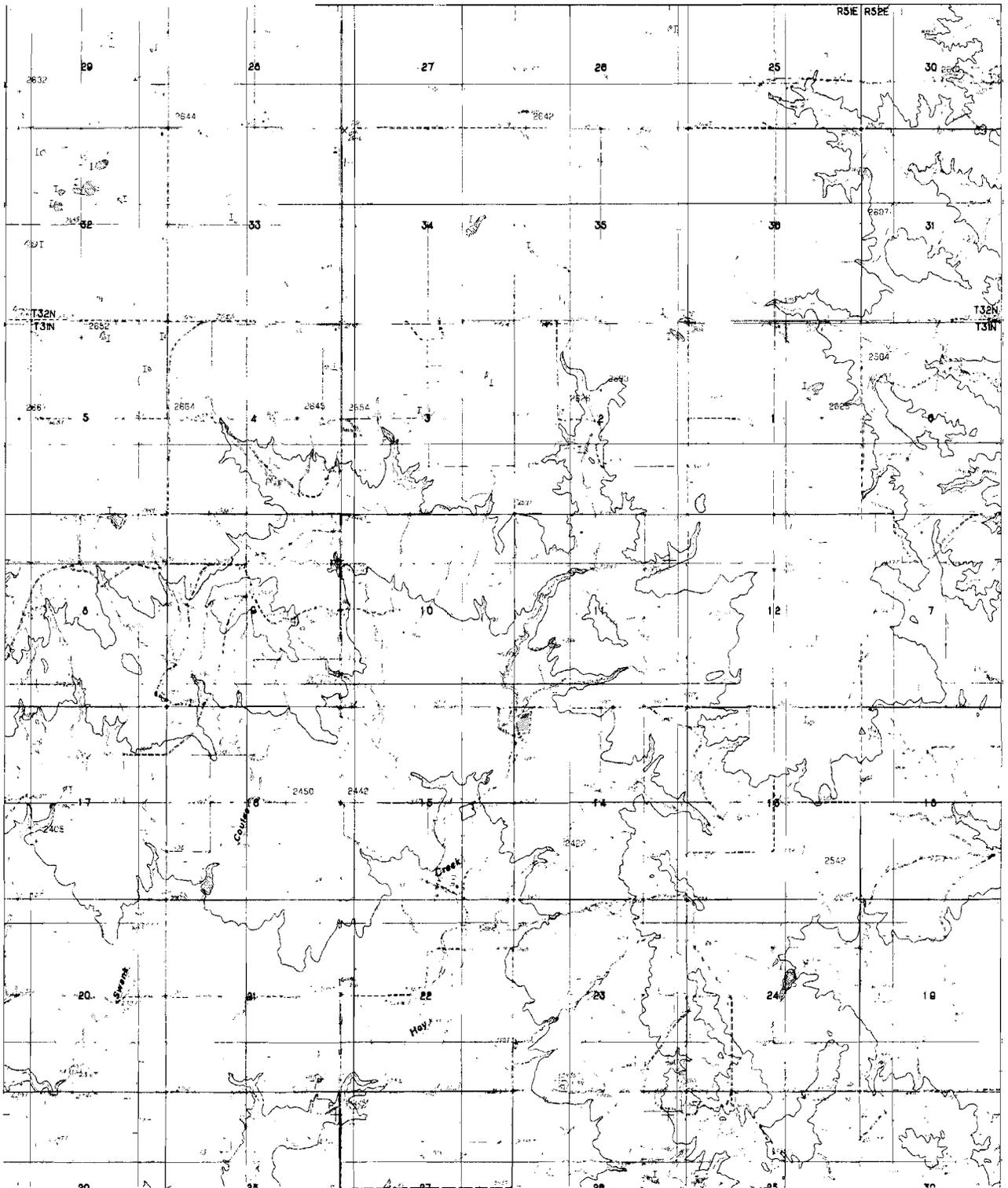
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(when items 1, 2, 3, 3a, 4, 4a, 4b, 5, 6, 6a, or 7 are checked "Yes")

- A. The applicant shall complete the checklist indicating a "Yes" or "No" for each item, except number 8 which may require a narrative response.
- B. When a "Yes" is indicated on any number of items 1 through 7, the applicant must explain why and provide the appropriate documentation, evaluation, permit, and/or mitigation measures required to satisfy environmental concerns for the project. Use attachments if necessary.
- C. If the applicant checks "Yes" for any one item, the checklist and the applicant's mitigation proposal, documentation, evaluation and/or permit shall be submitted to MDT Environmental Services. Contact Number 444-7228.
- D. When the applicant checks a "Yes" item, the applicant cannot be authorized to proceed with the proposed work until Environmental Services reviews the information and signs the checklist.
- E. Applicant will obtain all necessary permits or authorizations from other entities with jurisdiction prior to beginning the Pavement Preservation Activity.

**Montana's Wild and/or Scenic Rivers system as published by the U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA), or the U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR (USDol)**

1. Middle Fork of the Flathead River (headwaters to South Fork of the Flathead River confluence)
2. North Fork of the Flathead River (Canadian Border to Middle Fork of the Flathead River confluence)
3. South Fork of the Flathead River (headwaters to Hungry Horse Reservoir)
4. Missouri River (Fort Benton to Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge)



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Work proposed for:

T31N, R51E, Sec. 10