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Subject: Re-Evaluation of Environmental Documentation
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Dear Jeff,

Environmental Services has reviewed the above proposed project's impacts and has determined that this proposed project still qualifies as a Categorical Exclusion under the provisions of 23 CFR 771.129(c). The original Categorical Exclusion was signed by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) on September 30, 2004. A copy should be in your files. This proposed action also continues to qualify as a categorical exclusion under the provisions of ARM 18.2.261 (Sections 75-1-103 and 75-1-201, M.C.A.). This determination is based on the following information.

The Scope-of-Work Report for the proposed project has been reviewed and has not changed. However, since issuance of the original Categorical Exclusion, it has been discovered that a 6(f) property is adjacent to the project area. The only work proposed for this property is the upgrade of sidewalk intersections to meet current ADA requirements. Therefore, adverse effects are not anticipated at this site. We have reviewed the biological, cultural, hazardous waste, etc. reports and found that in accordance with 23 CFR 771.117(a), this action will still neither individually or cumulatively, have any significant environmental impacts.

In accordance with the FHWA concurrence letter of April 15, 1999, this notification documents that this proposed action is still properly classified as a Categorical Exclusion under the provisions of 23 CFR 771.117(d).

Sincerely,

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