

APPENDIX B

**Programmatic Section 4(f) Evaluation
For Little Boulder River Bridge**

and

MDT Bridge Inspection Report

MONTANA DIVISION

"NATIONWIDE" PROGRAMMATIC SECTION 4(f) EVALUATION FOR HISTORIC BRIDGES

Project # STP 69-1(9)22, (P.M.S. C# 2019)

Date: January 20, 2011

Project Name: Boulder-South

Location: Jefferson County

This proposed project requires use of a historic bridge structure that is on, or eligible for listing on the NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES. A description and location map/"Translite" of this proposed bridge replacement project is attached.

NOTE: Any response in a box will require additional information, and may result in an individual evaluation/statement. Consult the "Nationwide" Section 4(f) Evaluation procedures.

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
1. Is the bridge a NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. Have agreements been reached through the procedures pursuant to <i>Section 106</i> of the <i>National Historic Preservation Act</i> with the following:		
STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE (SHPO)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION (ACHP)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Any other agency/ies with jurisdiction at this location?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
a) If "YES" will additional approval(s) for this <i>Section 4(f)</i> application be required?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b) List of agencies with jurisdiction at this location:		
USA - CORPS OF ENGINEERS (<i>Section 404</i> Permit)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
USDA - Forest Service	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
USDA - Soil Conservation Service (<i>FPPA</i>)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FEMA Regulatory Floodway (Permit)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
MDFW&P - Parks Division (Fishing Access Site)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
MDFW&P - Wildlife Division (wetlands)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
MDFW&P - Fisheries Division (<i>MSPA</i>)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
MDSL (navigable rivers under state law)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
MDEQ - Air And Waste Management Bureau	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
MDEQ - Water Quality Bureau	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
MDNR&C (irrigation systems)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

ALTERNATIVES & FINDINGS

EACH of the following **ALTERNATIVES** for this proposed project have been evaluated to avoid the use of the historic bridge:

1. "Do Nothing."
2. Rehabilitate the existing bridge without affecting the historic integrity of the structure in accordance with the provisions of *Section 106* in the *NHPA*.
3. Construct the proposed bridge at a location where the existing historic structure's integrity will not be affected as determined by the provisions of the *NHPA*.

The above **ALTERNATIVES** have been applied in accordance with this PROGRAMMATIC SECTION 4(f) EVALUATION and are supported by **EACH** of the following **FINDINGS**:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
1. The "Do Nothing" ALTERNATIVE has been evaluated and has been found to ignore the basic transportation need at this location.	<u>X</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>
This ALTERNATIVE is neither feasible nor prudent for the following reasons:		
a) Maintenance — this ALTERNATIVE does not correct the structurally deficient condition and/or poor geometrics (clearances, approaches, visibility restrictions) found at the existing bridge. Any of these factors can lead to a sudden catastrophic collapse, and/or a potential injury including loss of life. Normal maintenance will not change this situation.	<u>X</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Safety — this ALTERNATIVE also does not correct the situation which causes the existing bridge to be considered deficient. Because of these deficiencies, the existing bridge presents serious and unacceptable safety hazards to the travelling public and/or places intolerable restrictions (gross vehicle weight, height, and/or width) on transport.	<u>X</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A copy of the MDT Bridge Bureau's Inspection Report is attached.	<u>X</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. The rehabilitation ALTERNATIVE has been evaluated with one or more of the following FINDINGS :		
a) The existing bridge's structural deficiency is such that it cannot be rehabilitated to meet minimum acceptable load and traffic requirements without adversely affecting the structure's historic integrity.	<u>X</u>	_____
b) The existing bridge's geometrics (height, width) cannot be changed without adversely affecting the structure's historic integrity.	<u>X</u>	_____

ALTERNATIVES & FINDINGS (#2 - conclusion:)

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
c) This ALTERNATIVE does not correct the serious restrictions on visibility (approach geometrics, structural requirements) which also contributes to an unsafe condition at this location.	—	—
Is this rehabilitation ALTERNATIVE therefore considered to be feasible and/or prudent based on the preceding evaluations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>X</u>
3. The relocation ALTERNATIVE , in which the new bridge has been moved to a site that presents no adverse effect upon the existing structure has also been considered under the following FINDINGS :		
a) Terrain and/or local geology. The present structure is located at the only feasible and/or prudent site for a bridge on the existing route. Relocating to a new site — either up-, or downstream of the preferred location — will result in extraordinary bridge/approach engineering and associated construction costs.	<u>X</u>	—
The preferred site is the <u>only</u> prudent location due to the terrain and/or geologic conditions in the general vicinity.	<u>X</u>	—
Any other location would cause extraordinary disruption to existing traffic patterns.	<u>X</u>	—
b) Significant social, economic and/or environmental impacts. Locating the proposed bridge in other than the preferred site would result in significant social/economic impacts such as the displacement of families, businesses, or severing of prime/unique farmlands.	<u>X</u>	—
Significant environmental impacts such as the extraordinary involvement in wetlands, regulated floodplains, or habitat of threatened/endangered species are likely to occur in any location outside the preferred site.	<u>X</u>	—
c) Engineering and economics. Where difficulty/ies associated with a new location are less extreme than those listed above, the site may still not be feasible and prudent where costs and/or engineering difficulties reach extraordinary magnitudes. Does the ALTERNATE location result in significantly increased engineering or construction costs (such as a longer span, longer approaches, etc.)?	<u>X</u>	—
d) Preservation of existing historic bridge may not be possible due to either or both of the following:		
the existing structure has deteriorated beyond all reasonable possibility of rehabilitation for a transportation or alternative use;	—	—
no responsible party can be located to maintain and preserve the historic structure.	<u>X</u>	—

ALTERNATIVES & FINDINGS (#3. - conclusion:)

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Therefore, in accordance with the previously-listed FINDINGS it is neither feasible nor prudent to locate the proposed bridge at a site other than the preferred ALTERNATE as described.	<u>X</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>

MEASURES TO MINIMIZE HARM

This "Nationwide" Programmatic Section 4(f) Statement applies only when the following **Measures to Minimize Harm** have been assured; a check in a box MAY void the Programmatic application — if so, a full Section 4(f) Evaluation **will be required**:

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
1. Is the bridge being rehabilitated under this proposed project? If "YES", is the historic integrity of the structure being preserved to the greatest extent possible; consistent with unavoidable transportation needs, safety, and load requirements?	_____	<u>X</u>
<u>NOTE:</u> If "NO", refer to item 2., following, to determine <u>Programmatic</u> applicability.	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. The bridge is being replaced, or rehabilitated to the point where historic integrity is affected. Are adequate records being made of the existing structure under HISTORIC AMERICAN ENGINEERING RECORD standards, or other suitable means developed through consultation with SHPO and the ACHP?	<u>X</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. If the bridge is being replaced, is the existing structure being made available for alternative use with a responsible party to maintain and preserve same?	<u>X</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. If the bridge is being adversely affected, has agreement been reached through the <u>Section 106</u> process of the <u>National Historic Preservation Act</u> on these Measures to Minimize Harm (which will be incorporated into the proposed project) with the following:		
SHPO (Date: <u>12/18/2006</u>)	<u>X</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ACHP (Date: <u>02/01/2007</u>)	<u>X</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FHWA (Date: <u>12/16/2006</u>)	<u>X</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A copy of the Amendment to Programmatic Agreement signed/approved by these agencies is attached.	<u>X</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>

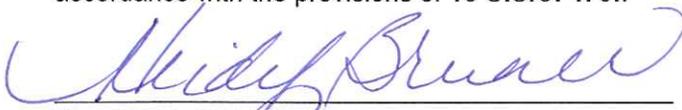
COORDINATION

There has been additional **COORDINATION** with the following agencies regarding this proposed project (other than those listed previously):

City/County government: Jefferson County and City of Boulder
Local historical society: NA
Adjacent property owners:
Others:

Copies of letters from these agencies regarding this proposed project are attached. This proposed project is also documented as an Environmental Assessment under the requirements of the *National Environmental Policy Act* (42 U.S.C. 4321, *et seq.*).

SUMMARY & APPROVAL - The proposed action meets all criteria regarding the required **ALTERNATIVES, FINDINGS, and Measures to Minimize Harm** which will be incorporated into this proposed project. This proposed project therefore complies with the July 5, 1983 Programmatic Section 4(f) Evaluation by the U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION's Federal Highway Administration. This document is submitted pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 303 and in accordance with the provisions of 16 U.S.C. 470f.



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Date: 1/20/11

Approved: Jeffrey A. Patten
Federal Highway Administration

Date: 1/20/11

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HB:BCB

Attachments

- cc: Jeff Ebert, P.E. - Butte District Administrator
- Paul Ferry, P.E. - Highway Engineer
- Kent Barnes, P.E. - Bridge Engineer
- Robert Stapley, Right-of-Way Bureau Chief
- David W. Jensen, Supervisor - Fiscal Programming Section
- File - Environmental Services

INITIAL ASSESSMENT FORM FOR STRUCTURE :

P00069034+02501

Location : 3M SE BOULDER Structure Name: none

General Location Data

District Code, Number, Location : 02 Dist 2 BUTTE	Division Code, Location : 21 BUTTE
County Code, Location : 043 JEFFERSON	City Code, Location : 00000 RURAL AREA
Kind of Hwy Code, Description : 3 3 State Hwy	Signed Route Number : 00069
Str Owner Code, Description : 1 State Highway Agency	Maintained by Code, Description : 1 State Highway Agency
Intersecting Feature : LITTLE BOULDER RIVER	Kilometer Post, Mile Post : 55.12 km 34.25
Structure on the State Highway System : <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Latitude : 46°11'59"	<p>Construction Data</p> <p>Construction Project Number : 9A(1)</p> <p>Construction Station Number : 178+80.00</p> <p>Construction Drawing Number : 2135</p> <p>Construction Year : 1940</p> <p>Reconstruction Year :</p>
Structure on the National Highway System : <input type="checkbox"/> Longitude : 112°05'18"	
Str Meet or Exceed NBIS Bridge Length : <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Traffic Data

Current ADT : **1,720** ADT Count Year : **2009** Percent Trucks : **2 %**

Structure Loading, Rating and Posting Data

Loading Data :

Design Loading :		2 M 13.5 (H 15)
Inventory Load, Design :	32.7 mton	2 AS Allowable Stress
Operating Load, Design :	44.9 mton	2 AS Allowable Stress
Posting :		5 At/Above Legal Loads

Rating Data :

	Operating	Inventory	Posting
Truck 1 Type 3 :	41.01	29.81	
Truck 2 Type 3-S3 :	64.77	47.08	
Truck 3 Type 3-3 :	79.68	57.92	

Structure, Roadway and Clearance Data

Structure Deck, Roadway and Span Data :

Structure Length : **17.98 m**
 Deck Area : **142.00 m sq**
 Deck Roadway Width : **7.41 m**
 Approach Roadway Width : **7.32 m**
 Median Code, Description : **0 No median**

Structure Vertical and Horizontal Clearance Data :

Vertical Clearance Over the Structure : **99.99 m**
 Reference Feature for Vertical Clearance : **N Feature not hwy or RR**
 Vertical Clearance Under the Structure : **0.00 m**
 Reference Feature for Lateral Underclearance : **N Feature not hwy or RR**
 Minimum Lateral Under Clearance Right : **0.00 m**
 Minimum Lateral Under Clearance Left : **0.00 m**

Span Data

Main Span

Number Spans : **3**
 Material Type Code, Description : **7 Wood or Timber**
 Span Design Code, Description : **2 Stringer/Multi-beam or Girder Deck**
 Deck Structure Type : **8 Wood or Timber**
 Deck Surfacing Type : **6 Bituminous**
 Deck Protection Type : **0 None**
 Deck Membrain Type : **0 None**

Approach Span

Number of Spans : **0**
 Material Type Code, Description :
 Span Design Code, Description :



Structure Vertical and Horizontal Clearance Data Inventory Route :

Over / Under Direction Name	Inventory Route	South, West or Bi-directional Travel			North or East Travel		
		Direction	Vertical	Horizontal	Direction	Vertical	Horizontal
Route On Structure	P00069	Both	99.99 m	7.41 m	N/A		

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Element Inspection Data

***** Span : Main-0 --1 *****

Element Description										
Smart Flag	Scale Factor	Env	Quantity	Units	Insp Each	Pct Stat 1	Pct Stat 2	Pct Stat 3	Pct Stat 4	Pct Stat 5
Element 32 - Timber Deck/AC Ovly										
	1	2	142	sq.m.	X	0	100	0	0	
						%	%	%	%	%

Previous Inspection Notes :

02/02/2009 - pot holes forming. (17.98 X 7.92 = 142.402)	DXJZ
01/08/2007 - same	JZJW
12/10/2004 - cracked and rutted	DZKZ
06/21/2002 - cracked and rutted	UVBZ
05/30/2000 - None	UFJN
03/13/1998 - None	TBAT
01/01/1996 - None	YDNF
02/01/1994 - None	REFI

Inspection Notes:

Element 111 - Timber Open Girder										
Smart Flag	Scale Factor	Env	Quantity	Units	Insp Each	Pct Stat 1	Pct Stat 2	Pct Stat 3	Pct Stat 4	Pct Stat 5
	1	2	243	m.		100	0	0	0	
						%	%	%	%	%

Previous Inspection Notes :

02/02/2009 - None	DXJZ
01/08/2007 - minor checking	JZJW
12/10/2004 - some splitting and checking	DZKZ
06/21/2002 - None	UVBZ
05/30/2000 - None	UFJN
03/13/1998 - None	TBAT
01/01/1996 - None	YDNF
02/01/1994 - None	REFI

Inspection Notes:

Element 206 - Timber Column										
Smart Flag	Scale Factor	Env	Quantity	Units	Insp Each	Pct Stat 1	Pct Stat 2	Pct Stat 3	Pct Stat 4	Pct Stat 5
	1	3	10	ea.		100	0	0	0	
						%	%	%	%	%

Previous Inspection Notes :

02/02/2009 - None	DXJZ
01/08/2007 - minor checking. Inspector - please include the columns at the piers in this quantity.	JZJW
12/10/2004 - some minor splitting	DZKZ
06/21/2002 - None	UVBZ
05/30/2000 - None	UFJN
03/13/1998 - None	TBAT
01/01/1996 - None	YDNF
02/01/1994 - None	REFI

Inspection Notes:

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***** Span : Main-0 - -1 (cont.) *****

Element Description										
Smart Flag	Scale Factor	Env	Quantity	Units	Insp Each	Pct Stat 1	Pct Stat 2	Pct Stat 3	Pct Stat 4	Pct Stat 5
Element 211 - Other Mtl Pier Wall										
	1	2	16	m.		100	0	0	0	
						%	%	%	%	%
Previous Inspection Notes :										
02/02/2009 - None										DXJZ
01/08/2007 - The review team added 16 m of element 211, Other Material Pier Wall with 100% condition state 1.										JZJW
Inspection Notes:										
Element 216 - Timber Abutment										
	1	3	30	m.		100	0	0	0	
						%	%	%	%	%
Previous Inspection Notes :										
02/02/2009 - None										DXJZ
01/08/2007 - None										JZJW
12/10/2004 - None										DZKZ
06/21/2002 - None										UVBZ
05/30/2000 - None										UFJN
03/13/1998 - None										TBAT
01/01/1996 - None										YDNF
02/01/1994 - None										REFI
Inspection Notes:										
Element 235 - Timber Cap										
	1	3	39	m.		100	0	0	0	
						%	%	%	%	%
Previous Inspection Notes :										
02/02/2009 - None										DXJZ
01/08/2007 - minor checking										JZJW
12/10/2004 - minor checking										DZKZ
06/21/2002 - None										UVBZ
05/30/2000 - None										UFJN
03/13/1998 - None										TBAT
01/01/1996 - None										YDNF
02/01/1994 - None										REFI
Inspection Notes:										

INITIAL ASSESSMENT FORM FOR STRUCTURE :

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***** Span : Main-0 - -1 (cont.) *****

Element Description										
Smart Flag	Scale Factor	Env	Quantity	Units	Insp Each	Pct Stat 1	Pct Stat 2	Pct Stat 3	Pct Stat 4	Pct Stat 5
Element 332 - Timb Bridge Railing										
	1	2	36	m.		90	10	0		
						%	%	%	%	%

Previous Inspection Notes :

02/02/2009 - None. (17.98 X 2 = 35.96)	DXJZ
01/08/2007 - 2 posts split, some split areas in rail.	JZJW
12/10/2004 - none this inspection	DZKZ
06/21/2002 - None	UVBZ
05/30/2000 - None	UFJN
03/13/1998 - None	TBAT
01/01/1996 - None	YDNF
02/01/1994 - None	REFI

Inspection Notes:

General Inspection Notes

02/02/2009 - None	DXJZ
01/08/2007 - None	JZJW
12/10/2004 - None	DZKZ
06/21/2002 - None	UVBZ
05/30/2000 - None	UFJN
03/13/1998 - None	TBAT
01/01/1996 - Sufficiency Rating Calculation Accepted by ops\$u5963 at 3/10/97 14:39:00	YDNF
Sufficiency Rating Calculation Accepted by OPS\$U9004 at 2/19/97 14:37:13	
02/01/1994 -	REFI
07/01/1992 - Updated with tape 1994	NB94
03/01/1990 - Updated with tape 1992	NB92
02/01/1988 - Updated with tape 1989	NB89
03/01/1986 - Updated with tape 1987	NB87
02/01/1984 - Updated with tape 1985	NB85
11/01/1982 - Updated with tape 1984	NB84
10/01/1980 - Updated with tape 1982	NB82
08/01/1977 - Updated with tape 1980	NB80