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Division of Environmental, Cultural Resources Management and Safety

Finding of No Significant Impact

Environmental Assessment for the construction of BIA Routes 6006 and 6007, Goodhue County, Minnesota. Prairie Island Indian Community.

Based on the October 04, 2018 Environmental Assessment (EA) for the BIA Routes 6006 and 6007 Project, which examines the proposal to construct residential streets extending from BIA Route 5130 (130th Avenue) to provide safe transportation routes and service planned residential lots for the Prairie Island Indian Community (PIIC); I have determined that the construction will not have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment. Therefore, in accordance with Section 102(2) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended, an Environmental Impact Statement will not be required.

This determination is supported by the following findings:

1. Agency involvement was conducted and environmental issues related to the construction of the roadway(s) and the expansion of the surface parking lot were identified. Alternative(s) were identified and mitigation measures were developed to effectively address the environmental issues identified.

2. The EA discloses the environmental consequences of the proposed action and potentially viable alternative(s); which includes the "no-action" alternative.

3. Protective measures will be levied to protect land resources, water resources, biological resources and historic and cultural resources as outlined in Section 5 Mitigation Measures.

4. The EA discloses the action is planned to not jeopardize threatened and endangered species. Should threatened and endangered species be discovered during construction activities, all construction activities shall cease pending
5. The EA discloses presents findings that the project will have "No Effect upon Cultural Resources" using avoidance procedures. Should undiscovered archeological remains be encountered during the project ground-disturbing activities, project activities will cease in the area of discovery and the stipulations of 36 CFR 800.13(b), (c) and (d) will be followed.

6. Impacts to public health and safety are mitigated through implementation of safety measures.

7. Impacts to floodplains and wetland resources affected by the preferred action and the no-action alternative are mitigated and not significant.

8. The cumulative and indirect effects of the proposed action to the environment are mitigated and not significant.

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