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To: District Engineers

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Re: Types of State-Funded MnDOT Projects Exempted from CRU Review

The MnDOT Cultural Resources Unit (CRU) has determined that the following state-funded work types have little potential to impact significant historic or archaeological resources. When these types of projects are not federally funded and are outside tribal reservation boundaries, we will no longer review them for compliance with Minnesota historic preservation statutes. Work types must meet the listed restrictions/conditions to be exempt from CRU review. If a state-funded project requires a permit from the Corps of Engineers, that agency has responsibility for reviewing impacts to these resources under federal regulations. This list supersedes previous communications from CRU regarding work types exempted from our review. Please feel free to contact me or Kristen Zschomler, CRU Supervisor, with any questions.

Table with 2 columns: Type of Work, Restrictions/Conditions. Rows include Pavement resurfacing/repair/rehabilitation, Shoulder work, Culvert replacement, Noise wall maintenance, Bridge redecking/repairs, Bridge maintenance work, Guardrail replacement/repair, Signage replacement/repair/refurbishment, Lighting replacement/repair, Signal replacement/repair, Fence repair/replacement, Pavement marking, Safety edging, Loop detector installation/replacement, Cable median barrier installation/replacement/repair, Culvert cleaning/repair, Storm sewer pipe and basin cleaning, Aggregate, borrow, or disposal areas.

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