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IN REPLY REFER TO:

Tract #07-123 (xL1425)

November 25, 2014

Raegan Ball
Federal Highway Administration
Missouri Division
3220 W. Edgewood, Suite H
Jefferson City, Missouri 65109

Dear Raegan Ball:

Thank you for the Categorical Exclusion Determination for the project submitted by Farnsworth Group, Inc., regarding the relocation and road improvement of Shannon County Road 19B for the safe and convenient access to the new Missouri State Parks (MSP) unit formerly called Camp Zoe. We have reviewed the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) documentation for the portion of the project under NPS jurisdiction and concur with the conclusions.

Since there are no resource impacts above minor, the NPS can accept the categorical exclusion determination from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). A signed categorical exclusion form is enclosed from Ozark National Scenic Riverways for your files. Note that you have two years from the date of this letter to complete the construction of the project that is on scenic easement tracts. If you are not complete by the end of two years but have made substantial progress, you may request a one-year extension. If you have any questions concerning this project or any other scenic easement issues, please call Joe Strenfel at 573-323-4933.

Sincerely,

William N. Black
Superintendent

cc: Bob Polk - Farnsworth Group, Inc.
Gayle Unruh - MoDOT
Chief Ranger - ONSR
Upper Current District Ranger - ONSR



Categorical Exclusion Form

Project: MO DNR/State Parks - Shannon County Road 19B Modifications for Camp Zoe

PEPC Project Number: 55098

Project Description:

On behalf of the State of Missouri (OA/FMDC) and the Department of Natural Resources Division of State Parks (DNR/MSP), the following is a description of proposed improvements to be constructed on NPS property and ONSR Scenic Easements as part of the overall development of a proposed state park covering 407 acres. Enclosed is a topographic map (Figure 1) and aerial image depicting the location and scope of work (Figure 2) as well as an exhibit indicating the limits of affected NPS property/ONSR Scenic Easement and a surrounding property ownership map (Figure 3).

The Federal Highway Administration is the lead agency for compliance, NPS jurisdiction is only on the portion of the project inside of the park boundary. See attached project proposal for details.

Project Locations:

Location

County:	Shannon	State:	MO
District:	Upper Current	Section:	
Geo.		Other:	
Marker:			

Mitigation(s):

- No mitigations identified.

Describe the category used to exclude action from further NEPA analysis and indicate the number of the category (see Section 3-4 of DO-12):

A.9 At the direction of the NPS responsible official, actions where NPS has concurrence or coapproval with another bureau and the action is a categorical exclusion for that bureau.

Explanation:

On the basis of the environmental impact information in the statutory compliance file, with which I am familiar, I am categorically excluding the described project from further NEPA analysis. No exceptional circumstances (e.g. all boxes in the ESF are marked "no") or conditions in Section 3-6 apply, and the action is fully described in Section 3-4 of DO-12.

Superintendent: Signature: William N. Black **Date:** 11/23/2014
William N. Black

NPS Contact: Joseph [Signature]