

**Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa
1720 Big Lake Road
Cloquet, Minnesota 55720**

Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)

Project: Pine Drive Bridge 69L10 Right-of-Way

Location: Pine Drive (St. Louis County Highway 851 and un-named tributary to Stoney Brook in St. Louis County, Minnesota.

Based upon the attached Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Pine Drive Bridge 69L10 ROW involving the installation of culverts as described in the EA, on the Fond du Lac Reservation, I have determined that by implementation of the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa proposed action and environmental mitigation measures as specified in the EA, the proposed Pine Drive Bridge 69L10 ROW will have no significant impact on the quality of the human environment. In accordance with Section 705(a) of the Fond du Lac Tribal Environmental Policy Ordinance (TEPO) (Ordinance #05/10, adopted by Resolution #1343/10 of the Fond du Lac Reservation Business Committee on September 21, 2010), an Environmental Impact Statement will not be required for this proposed project.

This determination is supported by the following findings:

1. Agency and FdL staff consultation and coordination was conducted and environmental issues related to development of the Pine Drive Bridge 69L10 ROW were identified. Alternative courses of action and mitigation measures were developed in response to environmental concerns and issues.
2. Section 4 of the Environmental Assessment discloses the environmental consequences of the proposed action and potentially viable alternatives were considered, including the “no action” alternative.
3. The proposed action is planned to not jeopardize any federally or state listed threatened or endangered species. A Key to the Northern Long-Eared Bat 4(d) Rule for Non-Federal Activities was not prepared because no mature trees exist at the project location. No notification to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is necessary.
4. Section 4 and Appendix describe that there are no adverse effects on cultural properties. However, a Tribal Monitor is required during all ground disturbing activities.

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Date