

## **Chapter 8. Finding of No Significant Impact**

FHWA has determined that the Preferred Alternative described in Chapter 2 of this document will have no significant impact on the environment given project's environmental benefits and committed mitigation measures, and the project's context and the intensity of environmental impacts. This FONSI is based on the analysis presented in the Twin Tunnels EA and consideration of public and agency comments on the EA. The EA, included as an electronic attachment to this FONSI in Appendix A, has been independently evaluated by FHWA and determined to adequately and accurately describe the Proposed Action and discuss the purpose and need for the project, identify

environmental issues and evaluate impacts of the proposed project, and develop and commit to appropriate mitigation measures as included in <u>Chapter 3</u> of this FONSI. Responses to public and agency comments are included in <u>Chapter 5</u> of this FONSI; some of the comments resulted in clarifications to the EA analysis, as presented in <u>Chapter 4</u> of this FONSI. The EA and consideration of comments provide sufficient evidence and analysis for determining that an Environmental Impact Statement is not required. FHWA and CDOT take full responsibility for the accuracy, scope, and content of the EA and the information presented in this FONSI.

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