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Navajo Regional Office
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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT and FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

PROPOSED ACTION:

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Navajo Regional Office, in cooperation with Arcadian Infracom. Inc. proposes to approve a right-of way (ROW), to construct approximately 81 miles of fiber within the Navajo Nation located along existing public ROW (the Project). The alignment runs along Navajo Route 20 for approximately 57 miles from LeChee, Arizona to U.S. Highway 89 (US 89), west of Tuba City, Arizona and continues south for 24 miles along US 89 to Gray Mountain, Arizona. The proposed ROW for the Project will consist of 10-foot-wide corridor and be approximately 81 miles in length across Navajo Nation Trust Lands

DETERMINATION:

Based on the "Environmental Assessment (EA) for the ARCADIAN INFRACOM BROADBAND FIBER PROJECT, North-South Route" (signed 2022) signed Finding of No Significant Impacts (FONSI), it has been determined that the proposed actions will not have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment; therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), is not required.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

The EA and the FONSI is available for review by contacting Leonard Notah, Supervisory Environmental Protection Specialist at (505) 863-8287 or by email leonard.notah@bia.gov.

NOTICE OF DECISION

In accordance with 25 CFR § 2.7, this decision may be appealed within 30 days of this notice posted. An appeal to the decision to proceed with the proposed actions should be made in writing to: Regional Director, BIA, Navajo Regional Office, 301 West Hill Street, Gallup, NM 87301. The appeal must be received no later than Monday, April 25, 2022.

Gregory C. Mehojah
Regional Director

DATE

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