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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has completed the review of the following amendment to the Kern Council of Governments' (KCOG) 2010/11 - 2013/14 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

No. Description

5 **State, Local and Transit Elements**

- This amendment modifies seven projects from various funding sources in Kern County. It includes individual and grouped project listings with funding from the State Highway Operation and Protection Program, the Highway Bridge Program, State Transportation Improvement Program, the Highway Safety Improvement Program, the Federal Transit Agency (FTA) Section 5307, and local funds.

See enclosure.

The KCOG Board Resolution adopting this FTIP amendment certifies that the amendment is financially constrained, and meets the requirements of public involvement procedures adopted by KCOG and all applicable transportation planning requirements per Title 23 Code of Federal Regulations Part 450 and satisfies the applicable air quality conformity requirements.

Pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Director of Caltrans, I approve KCOG's Amendment Number 5. I also recommend that the Federal Highway Administration and FTA approve this FTIP amendment for inclusion into California's 2011 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP amendment, in fiscal years not within the four-year cycle of the current FSTIP, are not approved as part of this FTIP amendment and are shown for information only. Approval of this amendment does not constitute an eligibility determination of project for federal funding.

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Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Dennis Jacobs of my staff, at (916) 654-4447.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

- c: Lisa Hanf, EPA Office of Air Planning (w/enclosure)
- Ronald E. Brummett, Executive Director, Kern Council of Governments
- Raquel Pacheco, Regional Planner III, Kern Council of Governments
- Muhaned Aljabiry, Chief, Caltrans Office of Federal Programs Management