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Attention: Muhaned Aljabiry

Dear Mr. Scherzinger:

SUBJECT: 2010/11 FSTIP AMENDMENT NO. 24, NON-METROPOLITAN AREA

We have completed our review of Amendment No. 24 to the non-metropolitan planning organization (non-MPO) portion of the 2010/11 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) that was submitted by your letter to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) dated April 3, 2012. As detailed in your letter, this amendment modifies one project previously listed in the 2010 FSTIP and adds three new FSTIP listings for projects supported with Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program funds.

Based on our review we accept this amendment to the 2010/11 FSTIP in accord with the Final Rule on statewide and metropolitan transportation planning that was published in the Federal Register on February 14, 2007. We find that the non-MPO portion of California's FSTIP, including this amendment, was developed through a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process in accord with the statewide planning provisions of 23 U.S.C. 135 and 49 U.S.C. 5304 as amended by Public Law 105-178, *the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users* (SAFETEA-LU). We are approving this amendment to the 2010/11 FSTIP in accord with the *July 15, 2004, Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Highway Administration, California Division, and the Federal Transit Administration, Region IX.*

The changes proposed to the FSTIP by this amendment are associated with Federal highway program projects that are either: exempt from the requirement to determine conformity pursuant to 40 CFR 93.126 or 93.127; or are proposed for implementation in an area of the State of California that is designated as attainment or unclassified for Federal Air Quality Standards; or are associated with projects located in isolated non-attainment areas outside the metropolitan planning areas of the State, and as a consequence, is not subject to the requirements that a regional air quality conformity determination be made prior to FSTIP programming.

If you have questions or need additional information concerning our approval of this amendment, please contact Wade Hobbs of the FHWA California Division office at (916) 498-5027, or by email at Wade.Hobbs@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

***/s/ Leslie T. Rogers***

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