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Attention: Muhaned Aljabiry

SUBJECT: SJCOG 2012/13-2015/16 FTIP Amendment # 21/RTP Amendment # 6 and  
Associated Air Quality Conformity Determination

Dear Ms. Falsetti:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have completed the review of FTIP Amendment # 21/RTP Amendment # 6 to the San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG) FY 2012/13-2015/16 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and the accompanying required Air Quality Conformity Determination that was submitted by your letter dated April 11, 2014. SJCOG adopted 2012/13-2015/16 FTIP Amendment # 21/RTP Amendment # 6 and the accompanying Air Quality Conformity Determination on March 27, 2014. This amendment:

- Contains changes to the transit projects as well as roadway projects funded with FTA Section 5310, Highway Bridge Program, Regional Improvement Program, Measure K, State funds, and Regional Surface Transportation Program funds as well as one scope change.

Pursuant to the July 17, 2004, *Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Highway Administration, California Division, and the Federal Transit Administration, Region IX*, we accept the modifications to the 2012/13 – 2015/16 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) for the SJCOG region in accordance with the *Final Rule on Statewide and Metropolitan Transportation Planning* published in the February 17, 2007 Federal Register. We find that the SJCOG's FTIP, through Amendment # 21, was developed through a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process carried out in accordance with the metropolitan planning provisions of 23 U.S.C. 174, and 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 as amended by Sections 1201, 1202, 20005 and 20006 of Public Law 112-141, the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act (MAP-21).

This finding has been coordinated with Region 9 of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in accordance with the procedures outlined in the *National Memorandum of Understanding between DOT and EPA on Transportation Conformity*, dated April 25, 2000. Therefore, we find that the FTIP continues to conform to the applicable State Implementation Plan (SIP).

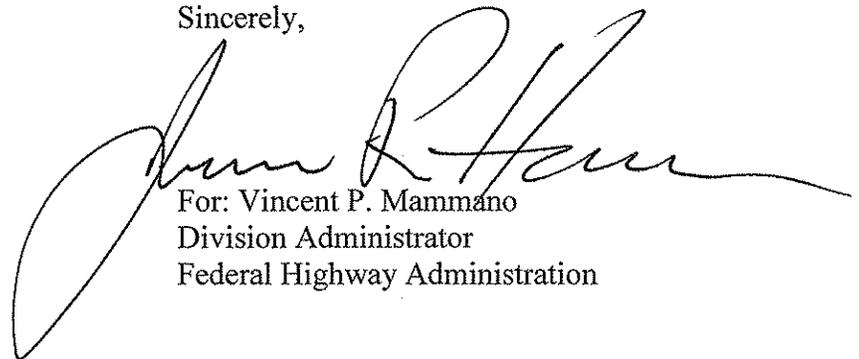
This approval is provided with the understanding that the FTA funding approval on the individual projects contained in the FSTIP are subject to grantees meeting all necessary FTA administrative requirements, and that approval of this programming action does not provide a federal eligibility determination for Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) projects or any other project funding source included in this amendment.

If you have questions or need additional information concerning our approval for this SJCOG FTIP amendment, please contact Cecilia Crenshaw of the FHWA California Division office by email at [cecilia.crenshaw@dot.gov](mailto:cecilia.crenshaw@dot.gov) or by phone at (916) 498-5033.

Sincerely,

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