

Appendix E Air Quality Conformity

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**2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program
Orange County
State Highway - Project Listing
(In \$000's)**

<u>FTIP ID</u>	<u>LEAD AGENCY</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>	<u>CONFORM CATEGORY</u>	<u>AIR BASIN</u>	<u>PROJECT COST</u>	<u>RTP ID</u>	<u>SYSTEM</u>
ORA084402	Caltrans	Orange	EXEMPT - 93.126	SCAB	\$580	REG0701	State
<u>PRIMARY PROGRAM CODE</u>		<u>PROJECT LIMITS</u>		<u>MODELING</u>	<u>FTIP AMENDMENT</u>		
SHP01 - OPERATIONS		Post Miles: Begin 0.10 End 0.10			25-00		

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DESCRIPTION

Grouped Projects for Purchase of office, shop, and operating equipment for existing facilities. Scope - Projects are consistent with 40 CFR Part 93.126 Exempt Tables 2 and Table 3 categories
- Purchase of office, shop, and operating equipment for existing facilities

<u>PHASE</u>	<u>FUND SOURCE</u>	<u>PRIOR</u>	<u>24/25</u>	<u>25/26</u>	<u>26/27</u>	<u>27/28</u>	<u>28/29</u>	<u>29/30</u>	<u>FUTURE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
CON	SHOPP - Facilities (State Cash)	\$0	\$580	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$580
TOTAL	TOTAL	\$0	\$580	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$580

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ORA211702	Caltrans	Orange	EXEMPT - 93.126	SCAB	\$2,360	REG0701	State
<u>PRIMARY PROGRAM CODE</u>		<u>PROJECT LIMITS</u>		<u>MODELING</u>	<u>FTIP AMENDMENT</u>		

SHP04 - SAFETY		Post Miles: Begin 0.10 End 0.10			25-00		
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DESCRIPTION

Grouped Projects for Safety Improvements, Shoulder Improvements, Pavement resurfacing and/or rehabilitation - Minor Program: Consistent with 40 CFR Part 93.126 Exempt Tables 2 & 3 categories - Rail/hwy crossing, Safer non-Fed-aid system roads, Shoulder improv., traffic control devices & op. assist other than signalization, Intersection signalization at indiv. intersections, Pavement marking demo, Truck climb lanes outside the urbanized area, Light improv., and more

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CON	SHOPP - AC CT Minor Funds	\$0	\$2,360	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,360
TOTAL	TOTAL	\$0	\$2,360	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,360

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ORA040607	Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA)	Orange	EXEMPT - 93.126	SCAB	\$28,405	ORA040607	State
<u>PRIMARY PROGRAM CODE</u>		<u>PROJECT LIMITS</u>		<u>MODELING</u>	<u>FTIP AMENDMENT</u>		

PPM01 - STIP - PLANNING, PROGRAMMING & MONITORING		Post Miles: Begin 0.01 End 0.02			25-00		
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DESCRIPTION

Orange County - Countywide activities: Planning, Programming and Monitoring (PPM)(PPNO 2132)

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CON	COVID Relief Funds - STIP	\$589	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$589
CON	STCASHR - State - RIP	\$16,384	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$16,384
CON	STIP AC RIP	\$4,177	\$1,056	\$1,030	\$1,030	\$2,769	\$1,370	\$0	\$0	\$11,432
TOTAL	TOTAL	\$21,150	\$1,056	\$1,030	\$1,030	\$2,769	\$1,370	\$0	\$0	\$28,405

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ORA131105	Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA)	Orange	EXEMPT - 93.127	SCAB	\$9,763	2M0717	State
<u>PRIMARY PROGRAM CODE</u>		<u>PROJECT LIMITS</u>		<u>MODELING</u>	<u>FTIP AMENDMENT</u>		

NCRH3 - INTERCHANGE-MODIFY/REPLACE/RECONFIGURATION		From Los Alisos/EI Toro to Los Alisos/EI Toro Post Miles: Begin 17.80 End 19.70			NO	25-00	
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EI Toro Road Interchange - on I-5 from Los Alisos Boulevard Overcrossing to Ridge Route Drive. (utilize toll credit match for RSTP). Non capacity.

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PHASE	FUND SOURCE	PRIOR	24/25	25/26	26/27	27/28	28/29	29/30	FUTURE	TOTAL
PE	ORAFWY2 - Orange County Sales Tax	\$500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$500
PE	STPL-R - STP Local Regional	\$9,213	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,213
ROW	STPL-R - STP Local Regional	\$0	\$50	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50
TOTAL	TOTAL	\$9,713	\$50	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,763

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ORA111207	Various Agencies	Orange	TCM Substituted	SCAB	\$423,000	2T01135	State
<u>PRIMARY PROGRAM CODE</u>		<u>PROJECT LIMITS</u>			<u>MODELING</u>	<u>FTIP AMENDMENT</u>	
CANT9 - NEW HOT LANE(S) REGIONALLY SIGNIFICANT		From SR-241 to SR-91 Post Miles: Begin 33.60 End 39.10			YES	25-00	
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241/91 EXPRESS LANES (HOT) CONNECTOR: NB SR-241 TO EB SR-91, WB SR-91 TO SB SR-241.

PHASE	FUND SOURCE	PRIOR	24/25	25/26	26/27	27/28	28/29	29/30	FUTURE	TOTAL
PE	PVT - Private	\$50,945	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50,945
ROW	PVT - Private	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$55	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$55
CON	PVT - Private	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$372,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$372,000
TOTAL	TOTAL	\$50,945	\$0	\$0	\$372,055	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$423,000

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ORA120535	Various Agencies	Orange	TCM Committed	SCAB	\$88,513	ORA120507	State
<u>PRIMARY PROGRAM CODE</u>		<u>PROJECT LIMITS</u>			<u>MODELING</u>	<u>FTIP AMENDMENT</u>	
CAX63 - HIGHWAY/ROAD IMP - LANE ADD'S (NO HOV LANES): RS		From Calle Entradero to Reata Road Post Miles: Begin 1.00 End 2.10			YES	25-00	
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SR-74 Ortega Highway Gap Closure & Multimodal Improvements - In San Juan Capistrano from Calle Entradero to Reata Road. Widen from 2 lanes to 4 lanes. Gap closure and multimodal improvements. 1.1-mile-long Class II bicycle lanes.

PHASE	FUND SOURCE	PRIOR	24/25	25/26	26/27	27/28	28/29	29/30	FUTURE	TOTAL
PE	CITY - City Funds	\$1,750	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,750
PE	COVID Relief Funds - STIP	\$800	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$800
PE	DEV FEE - Developer Fees	\$400	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$400
PE	ORAM2RC - Orange Co. Measure M2-Regional	\$7,200	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,200
PE	SHOPP - AC CT Minor Funds	\$250	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$250
PE	STCASHI - State - IIP	\$5,513	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,513
ROW	STIP AC RIP	\$13,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$13,000
CON	2022 APPROPRIATIONS	\$0	\$0	\$4,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,000
CON	AGENCY - Agency	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000
CON	STIP AC RIP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$24,600	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$24,600
CON	STPL-R - STP Local Regional	\$0	\$0	\$30,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$30,000
TOTAL	TOTAL	\$28,913	\$0	\$34,000	\$25,600	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$88,513

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ORA130302	Various Agencies	Orange	NON-EXEMPT	SCAB	\$209,321	2M0731	State
<u>PRIMARY PROGRAM CODE</u>		<u>PROJECT LIMITS</u>			<u>MODELING</u>	<u>FTIP AMENDMENT</u>	
CAX63 - HIGHWAY/ROAD IMP - LANE ADD'S (NO HOV LANES): RS		From I-405 to Yale Avenue Post Miles: Begin 21.30 End 25.80			YES	25-00	
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I-5 Improvement, I-405 to Yale Avenue (Segment 1) - Add one mixed flow lane northbound from truck bypass on-ramp to Yale; add one mixed flow lane southbound from Yale to truck bypass. Toll credits: \$622 in FY22/23 for NHPP. Toll credits used.

Table 1. FTIP Projects

COUNTY	SYSTEM	FTIP ID	ROUTE	LEAD AGENCY	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROJECT COST (\$1,000's)
ORANGE	STATE	ORA210604	5	CALTRANS	I-5 MANAGED LANES FROM RED HILL AVE. TO 0.5 NORTH OF ORA/LA COUNTY LINE - OPERATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS BY IMPLEMENTING MANAGED LANES STRATEGIES. IN AND NEAR THE CITIES OF TUSTIN, ORANGE, SANTA ANA, ANAHEIM, FULLERTON, AND BUENA PARK. ADDRESS HOV LANE DEGRADATION. LONG LEAD PROJECT. PA&ED.	\$27,500
ORANGE	STATE	ORA001109		CALTRANS	GROUPED PROJECTS FOR BRIDGE REHABILITATION AND RECONSTRUCTION - SHOPP PROGRAM. SCOPE: PROJECTS ARE CONSISTENT WITH 40 CFR PART 93.126 EXEMPT TABLES 2 CATEGORIES - WIDENING NARROW PAVEMENTS OR RECONSTRUCTING BRIDGES (NO ADDITIONAL TRAVEL LANES).	\$27,706
ORANGE	STATE	ORA082603		CALTRANS	GROUPED PROJECTS FOR EMERGENCY REPAIR - SHOPP EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROGRAM. SCOPE: PROJECTS ARE CONSISTENT WITH 40 CFR PART 93.126 EXEMPT TABLES 2 CATEGORIES - REPAIR DAMAGE CAUSED BY NATURAL DISASTERS, CIVIL UNREST, OR TERRORIST ACTS. THIS APPLIES TO DAMAGES THAT DO NOT QUALIFY FOR FEDERAL EMERGENCY RELIEF FUNDS OR TO DAMAGES THAT QUALIFY FOR FEDERAL EMERGENCY RELIEF FUNDS BUT EXTEND BEYOND THE FEDERALLY DECLARED DISASTER PERIOD	\$53,127
ORANGE	STATE	ORA000820	57	CALTRANS	SR-57 TRUCK CLIMBING AUX LANE FROM LAMBERT TO LA CO. LINE (PE ONLY)(PPNO 3847A)	\$6,500
ORANGE	STATE	ORA211702		CALTRANS	GROUPED PROJECTS FOR SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS, SHOULDER IMPROVEMENTS, PAVEMENT RESURFACING AND/OR REHABILITATION - MINOR PROGRAM: CONSISTENT WITH 40 CFR PART 93.126 EXEMPT TABLES 2 & 3 CATEGORIES - RAIL/HWY CROSSING, SAFER NON-FED-AID SYSTEM ROADS, SHOULDER IMPROV., TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES & OP. ASSIST OTHER THAN SIGNALIZATION, INTERSECTION SIGNALIZATION AT INDIV. INTERSECTIONS, PAVEMENT MARKING DEMO, TRUCK CLIMB LANES OUTSIDE THE URBANIZED AREA, LIGHT IMPROV., AND MORE	\$2,360
ORANGE	STATE	ORA030605	405	ORANGE COUNTY TRANS AUTHORITY (OCTA)	I-405 FROM SR-73 TO I-605. ADD 1 MF LANE IN EACH DIRECTION AND ADDITIONAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS (BY 2022), CONVERT EXISTING HOV TO HOT. ADD 1 ADDITIONAL HOT LANE EACH DIRECTION. COMBINED WITH ORA045, ORA151, ORA100507, ORA120310, AND ORA030605A. SIGNAGE FROM PM 7.6 TO 24.2	\$2,159,999
ORANGE	STATE	ORA040607		ORANGE COUNTY TRANS AUTHORITY (OCTA)	ORANGE COUNTY - COUNTYWIDE ACTIVITIES: PLANNING, PROGRAMMING AND MONITORING (PPM)(PPNO 2132)	\$24,266
ORANGE	STATE	ORA131105	5	ORANGE COUNTY TRANS AUTHORITY (OCTA)	EL TORO ROAD INTERCHANGE - ON I-5 FROM LOS ALISOS BOULEVARD OVERCROSSING TO RIDGE ROUTE DRIVE. (UTILIZE TOLL CREDIT MATCH FOR RSTP). NON CAPACITY.	\$9,763
ORANGE	STATE	ORA170005	605	ORANGE COUNTY TRANS AUTHORITY (OCTA)	I-605/KATELLA AVE INTERCHANGE - IMPROVE THE LOCAL INTERCHANGE TO IMPROVE FREEWAY ACCESS, TRAFFIC OPERATIONS, ENHANCE SAFETY, AND IMPROVE PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE FACILITIES WITHIN PROJECT LIMITS. SIGNAGE AT PM 0.6. TOLL CREDITS FOR STBG.	\$29,674
ORANGE	STATE	ORA210002	91	VARIOUS AGENCIES	SR-91 (ACACIA AVE TO LA PALMA AVE) SEGMENT 3 - ADD 1 MF LANE WB FROM THE SR 91/SR57 CONNECTOR TO STATE COLLEGE; IMPROVE INTERCHANGES AND MERGING FROM LA PALMA TO RAYMOND. AUXILIARY LANES WILL BE ADDED IN CERTAIN SEGMENTS.	\$18,171
ORANGE	STATE	ORA210001	91	VARIOUS AGENCIES	SR-91 (LA PALMA AVE TO SR-55) SEGMENT 2 - ADD 1 MF LANE EB FROM 55 TO 57; IMPROVE INTERCHANGES AND MERGING FROM SR-55 TO LA PALMA. AUXILIARY LANES WILL BE ADDED IN CERTAIN SEGMENTS.	\$46,314

Table 2. Financially Constrained Projects

COUNTY	SYSTEM	LEAD AGENCY	RTP ID	ROUTE #	ROUTE NAME	FROM	TO	DESCRIPTION	COMPLETION YEAR	PROJECT COST (\$1,000'S)
ORANGE	STATE HIGHWAY	CALTRANS	2M0732	5	I-5	RED HILL AVENUE	LOS ANGELES COUNTY LINE	CONVERT THE EXISTING HOV LANE TO AN EXPRESS LANE, IN EACH DIRECTION, BETWEEN RED HILL AVENUE AND SR 55; CONVERT TWO EXISTING HOV LANES TO EXPRESS LANES, IN EACH DIRECTION, BETWEEN SR 55 AND SR 57; CONVERT THE EXISTING HOV LANE TO AN EXPRESS LANE, IN EACH DIRECTION, FROM SR 57 TO THE ORANGE/LOS ANGELES COUNTYLINE; AND CONSTRUCT ADDITIONAL EXPRESS LANE, IN EACH DIRECTION, BETWEEN SR 57 AND SR 91.	2035	\$456,400
ORANGE	STATE HIGHWAY	CALTRANS	2M0735A	57	SR-57 NB	ORANGEWOOD	KATELLA	ADD 1 MF LANE NB BETWEEN ORANGEWOOD AND KATELLA	2028	\$71,780
ORANGE	STATE HIGHWAY	CALTRANS	2TK01116	57	SR-57	LAMBERT	LA COUNTY LINE	SR-57 TRUCK CLIMBING AUX LANE FROM LAMBERT TO LA COUNTY LINE	2038	\$227,100
ORANGE	STATE HIGHWAY	OCTA	324S010					FREEWAY CHOKEPOINT SAFETY PROGRAM	2050	\$750,000
ORANGE	STATE HIGHWAY	ORANGE COUNTY TRANS AUTHORITY (OCTA)	2M0717	5				EL TORO ROAD INTERCHANGE - ON I-5 FROM LOS ALISOS BOULEVARD OVERCROSSING TO RIDGE ROUTE DRIVE. (UTILIZE TOLL CREDIT MATCH FOR RSTP)	2035	\$120,520
ORANGE	STATE HIGHWAY	ORANGE COUNTY TRANS AUTHORITY (OCTA)	2M0730	5				I-5 (SR-73 TO OSO PARKWAY) SEGMENT 1 - THE PROJECT WILL ADD ONE GENERAL PURPOSE LANE ON THE I-5 IN EACH DIRECTION BETWEEN SR-73 AND OSO CREEK (APPROXIMATELY 2.2 MILES), RECONSTRUCT AVERY PARKWAY INTERCHANGES AND ADD AUXILIARY LANES WHERE NEEDED. (PPNO 2655). PROJECT IS SPLIT WITH ORA111801 AND ORA131712. (UTILIZE TOLL CREDIT MATCH FOR RSTP/STBG)	2026	\$224,717



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SUBJECT: California 2025 FSTIP Approval

Dear Mr. Anderson:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have completed our review of the 2025 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP), which was submitted by your letter dated November 15, 2024. As detailed in your letter, the 2025 FSTIP incorporates by reference the following 18 metropolitan planning organizations' (MPO) Federal Transportation Improvement Programs (FTIP):

- Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG)
- Butte County Association of Governments (BCAG)
- Fresno Council of Governments (FresnoCOG)
- Kern Council of Governments (KCOG)
- Kings County Association of Governments (KCAG)
- Madera County Transportation Commission (Madera CTC)
- Merced County Association of Governments (MCAG)
- Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)
- Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG)
- San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG)
- San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG)
- San Luis Obispo Council of Governments (SLOCOG)
- Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG)
- Shasta County Regional Transportation Planning Agency (SRTA)
- Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)
- Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG)
- Tahoe Metropolitan Planning Organization (TMPO)
- Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG)

We find that the FSTIP and FTIPs were developed through a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with the metropolitan planning provisions of 23 U.S.C. 134 and 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53, as amended by Public Law 117-58 of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), enacted as the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

In addition, the MPOs and State are required to meet the transportation conformity requirements. Transportation conformity is required by the Clean Air Act section 176(c) [42 U.S.C. 7506(c)] to ensure that federal funding and approval are given to highway and transit projects that are consistent with ("conform to") the air quality goals established by a state air quality implementation plan (SIP). The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has designated the following 14 planning areas in California as Nonattainment or Maintenance Areas for Criteria Pollutants:

- Butte County Association of Governments (BCAG)
- Fresno Council of Governments (FresnoCOG)
- Kern Council of Governments (KCOG)
- Kings County Association of Governments (KCAG)
- Madera County Transportation Commission (Madera CTC)
- Merced County Association of Governments (MCAG)
- Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)
- Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG)
- San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG)
- San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG)
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- Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG)

As such, the above MPO Policy Boards made an initial conformity determination on the above FTIPs and associated Regional Transportation Plans (RTPs) and applicable RTP amendments. The FHWA and the FTA reviewed the conformity determinations and find that the FTIPs and the associated RTPs and RTP amendments conform to the applicable state implementation plan (SIP) in accordance with the provisions of 40 CFR Parts 51 and 93. This finding has been coordinated with Region 9 of the EPA pursuant to the Transportation Conformity Rule.

Based on our review of the information provided and our ongoing oversight of the statewide and metropolitan transportation planning processes, FHWA and FTA are approving the 2025 FSTIP. This approval is effective December 16, 2024. This approval is based on the understanding that an eligibility determination of individual projects for funding must be met, and the project sponsor must comply with all administrative and statutory requirements.

Included with this approval is the FHWA and FTA Federal Planning Finding (FPF). The FHWA and the FTA are required under 23 CFR 450.220(b) to document and issue an FPF in conjunction with the approval of the FSTIP. At a minimum, the FPF verifies that the development of the FSTIP is consistent with the provisions of both the Statewide and Metropolitan transportation

planning requirements. Furthermore, the FPF documents FHWA and FTA's recommendations for statewide and metropolitan transportation planning improvements.

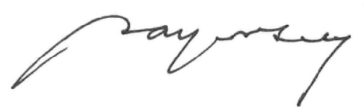
If you have questions or need additional information concerning our approval and the FPF, please contact Mr. Mervin Acebo of the FTA Region 9 office at (213) 202-3957, or by email at Mervin.Acebo@dot.gov; or Ms. Abby Jackson of the FHWA California Division office at (916) 498-5854, or by email at Abigail.Jackson@dot.gov.

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SUBJECT: Conformity Determination for SCAG's Connect SoCal 2024 (2024-2050 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy)

Dear Mr. Ajise:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have completed our review of the conformity determination for the Southern California Association of Governments' (SCAG) SCAG's Connect SoCal 2024 (2024-2050 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy). An FTA/FHWA air quality conformity determination is required for the new 2024 RTP/SCS pursuant to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) *Transportation Conformity Rule*, 40 Code of Regulations (CFR) Parts 51 and 93, and the United States Department of Transportation's *Final Rule on Statewide and Metropolitan Planning*, 23 CFR Part 450.

On April 4, 2024, SCAG adopted Connect SoCal 2024 and the associated Consistency Amendment No. 23-26 to the 2023 FTIP via Resolution 24-664-2. The conformity analysis given by SCAG indicates all air quality conformity requirements have been met. Based on our review, and after consultation with the EPA Region 9 office, we find that Connect SoCal 2024 conforms to the applicable State Implementation Plan (SIP) in accordance with the provisions of 40 CFR Parts 51 and 93. This conformity determination will remain in effect for four (4) years from the date of this letter and replaces the previous determination. In accordance with the December 15, 2014, *Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Federal Highway Administration, California Division, and the Federal Transit Administration, Region IX*, the FTA has agreed with this conformity determination, and a single signature constitutes FHWA and FTA's joint air quality conformity determination for SCAG's 2024 RTP/SCS. If you have questions on this conformity finding, please contact Michael Morris of the FHWA California Division's Cal-South office at (213) 894-4014, or by email at michael.morris@dot.gov.

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