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October 14, 2025

Mr. Doug Hecox
Acting Division Administrator
Federal Highway Administration, California Division
650 Capitol Mall, Suite 4-100
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mr. Hecox:

As required under 23 CFR 668.111(c), we request your consideration to approve Disaster CA25-4 December 2024 Franklin Fire in Los Angeles County as eligible under the Emergency Relief Program.

A Governor's Proclamation executed June 18, 2025 is included as part of the Disaster Survey Summary Report (DSSR), attached for your review. Based on the Governor's Proclamation, the December 2024 Franklin Fire began on December 9, 2024.

The DSSR contains the latest list of identified damaged sites and their corresponding currently estimated repair costs. The preliminary damage estimate is in the range of \$1.14 million for Emergency Relief-eligible Local damages, subject to increase. There are no reported State damages. The estimated federal share of repair costs on eligible roadways will be required to exceed the \$700,000 threshold per 23 CFR 668.105(j) as indicated in the attached Damage Survey Summary Report.

Upon finding that the above Disaster is eligible, a Program of Projects will be developed and submitted to FHWA within 3 months of the Finding of Eligibility letter, as outlined in 23 CFR 668.13(a). If you or your staff have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (279) 599-3199 or by e-mail at [<Bob.Baca@dot.ca.gov>](mailto:Bob.Baca@dot.ca.gov).

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Bob Baca', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Bob Baca
Acting Chief
Office of Federal Programs

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Attachment

- Disaster Survey Summary Report (Disaster CA25-4)
- c: Peter Pangilinan, Senior Transportation Engineer, Project Delivery Districts 1 and 2 Federal Highway Administration

bc: Zylkia Martin-Yambo, Acting Director, Project Delivery, Federal Highway
Administration
Shawn Hart, Chief, Office of Emergency Operations and Recovery, Headquarters,
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