**Exhibit 3-I: Request for Local Advance Construction Authorization**

[Placed on Local Agency Letterhead]

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| To: | (DLAE Name) | Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
|  | District Local Assistance Engineer  (District Address) | FTIP/FSTIP ID: |
|  |  | Federal Project Number:  EA: |

Re: Request for Advance Construction Authorization for (Project Phase) for (Project Title) at (Project Location)

Project Description: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Dear: (DLAE Name)

The (Name of Local Agency) requests federal Advance Construction authorization for the (Preliminary Engineering, Right of Way, Construction and/or Construction Engineering) phase(s) of work for the above referenced project.

(Indicate local agency reasons/justification for requesting Advance Construction Authorization)

The (Name of Local Agency) understands that currently there are insufficient federal transportation funds (and/or Obligational Authority (OA)) to obligate the appropriate funds for the proposed work. The (Name of Local Agency) agrees to use local funds in lieu of federal funds to finance the cost of work until such time that federal funds (and/or OA) become available for obligation and subsequent reimbursement of the federal share of work. It is understood that an FTIP amendment may be required when the Advance Construction Authorization is converted to a real obligation of federal funds. It also is understood that federal reimbursement is **not** guaranteed.

The (Name of Local Agency) understands that work performed prior to federal authorization is ineligible for federal reimbursement and that advertising the construction contract prior to federal authorization will deem the construction and construction phases of work ineligible for federal funds

For questions regarding this request you may contact (Local Agency contact name and phone number).

Signature of Local Agency Representative Authorized to Commit Local Funds

Title

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