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Mr. Ronald L. De Carli
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SUBJECT: 8-Hour Ozone Conformity Determination for the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments' (SLOCOG) 2010 RTP and the 2013 FTIP, as amended

Dear Mr. De Carli:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have completed our review of the 8-hour ozone conformity determination for the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments' (SLOCOG) 2010 RTP and the 2013 FTIP, as amended. Effective July 20, 2012, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) designated areas as nonattainment for the new 8-Ozone standard. A FTA/FHWA air quality conformity determination is required pursuant to the EPA's *Transportation Conformity Rule*, 40 CFR Parts 51 and 93, and the United States Department of Transportation's *Metropolitan Planning Rule*, 23 CFR Part 450.

SLOCOG made the 8-hour conformity determination for the 2010 RTP and 2013 FTIP, as amended, on March 6, 2013. The conformity analysis submitted by SLOCOG indicates that all air quality conformity requirements have been met. Based on our review, we find that the 2010 RTP and the 2013 FTIP, as amended, conform to the applicable state implementation plan in accordance with the provisions of 40 CFR Parts 51 and 93. In accordance with the July 15, 2004, *Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Federal Highway Administration, California Division and the Federal Transit Administration, Region IX*, the FTA has concurred with this conformity determination. Additionally, this conformity determination was made after consultation with the EPA, Region 9 office.

If you have questions or need additional information concerning this approval, please contact Joseph Vaughn (Joseph.Vaughn@dot.gov) of the FHWA California Division office at (916) 498-5346.

Sincerely,

For: Vincent P. Mammano
Division Administrator