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Attention: Federal Resources Office, MS #82
For Ross A. Chittenden, Division of Transportation Programming

Dear Mr. Kempton:

SUBJECT: RURAL (NON-MPO) 2004/05-2006/07 FSTIP AMENDMENT NO. 12

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has completed its review of Amendment N0. 12 to the rural non-Metropolitan Planning Organization (non-MPO) portion of the 2004/05-2006/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) that was submitted by your letter dated August 24, 2005. This FSTIP amendment applies specifically to the following grouped project listings for the non-MPO regions of the State, specifically : the Hazard Elimination Safety Program, the State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) Collision Reduction Program, and the SHOPP Minor Program.

We accept this amendment in accordance with 23 CFR part 450 and find that the amended FSTIP is based on a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process and was developed in accord with the statewide planning provisions in 23 USC 135. The changes proposed to the FSTIP by this amendment are associated with projects proposed for implementation in those areas of the State of California that are designated as attainment or unclassified for Federal air quality standards and, as a consequence, is not subject to the requirement that a conformity determination be made. These findings have been coordinated with the Region IX office of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) pursuant to the single mode amendment procedures outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding between the FHWA, California Division, and the FTA, Region IX, dated July 15, 2004.

This letter constitutes joint FHWA and FTA approval for the inclusion of Amendment No. 12 for the rural non-MPO areas of the State into California's 2004/05-2006/07 FSTIP.

Sincerely,

/s/ Wade Hobbs

For
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