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Mr. Will Kempton, Director
California Department of Transportation
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Attention: Federal Resources Office, Room 3500
For Rachel Falsetti, Division of Transportation Programming

Dear Mr. Kempton:

SUBJECT: AMBAG 2006/07 MTIP/FSTIP AMENDMENT NO. 5

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have completed our reviews of Amendment No. 5 to the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) portion of the 2006/07-2009/10 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) that was submitted by your letter dated May 29, 2007. The AMBAG Board of Directors endorsed this amendment to the Monterey Bay Area Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) on May 9, 2007, by approving Resolution No. 2007-7. As detailed in the enclosure to your letter, Amendment No. 5 to AMBAG's 2006/07 – 2009/10 MTIP adds three new project to the MTIP/FSTIP and modifies the funding for six projects that were previously included in the MTIP/FSTIP. Collectively these modifications increase the CMAQ funding programmed in the AMBAG transportation planning region by \$2,409,000.

Pursuant to the July 15, 2004, *Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Highway Administration, California Division, and the Federal Transit Administration, Region IX*, we accept these modifications to the 2006/07 – 2009/10 FSTIP for the AMBAG region in accordance with the Final Rule on Statewide and Metropolitan Transportation Planning that was published in the February 14, 2007, Federal Register. We find that the AMBAG's 2006/07 MTIP, through Amendment No. 5, was developed through a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process carried out in accordance with the metropolitan planning provisions of 23 U.S.C. 134, and 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 as amended by Section 6001 of Public Law 109-59, the *Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users* (SAFETEA-LU).

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The changes proposed to the FSTIP by this amendment are associated with transportation projects proposed for implementation in an area of the State of California that is designated as attainment for Federal air quality standards and, as a consequence, this amendment to the FSTIP is not subject to the requirement that an air quality conformity determination be made.

If you have questions or need additional information concerning our approval of this FSTIP amendment, please contact Wade Hobbs of the FHWA California Division office at (916) 498-5027, or by email at wade.hobbs@fhwa.dot.gov; or Lorraine Lerman in the FTA, Region IX office at (415) 744-2735, or by email at Lorraine.Lerman@fta.dot.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/ Leslie T. Rogers

Leslie T. Rogers
Regional Administrator
Federal Transit Administration



For
Gene K. Fong
Division Administrator
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