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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Dear Ms. Kiser:

With this letter, I am transmitting the following amendment to California's 2006/07 – 2008/09 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) for your approval. This amendment modifies projects in the rural, non-Metropolitan Planning Organization portion of the State.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
3	<p><b>State, and Local Elements</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Modifies the State Highway and Operations Protection Program (SHOPP) lump-sum Collision Reduction Air Quality Exempt Grouped Projects by programming an additional \$4,254,000 (\$3,766,000 of SHOPP Advanced Construction, \$488,000 of State cash) in Fiscal Year (FY) 2006/07 for projects in Tuolumne, Del Norte, Humboldt, and Amador Counties. Also programs an additional \$100,000 (\$89,000 of SHOPP Advanced Construction, \$11,000 of State cash) in FY 2007/08 and \$180,000 (\$159,000 of SHOPP Advanced Construction, \$21,000 of State cash) in prior year for a Del Norte County left turn channelization, and shoulder widening project.</li> <li>• Modifies the SHOPP lump-sum Roadway Preservation Grouped Projects by programming an additional \$7,222,000 (\$6,394,000 of SHOPP Advanced Construction, \$828,000 of State cash) in FY 2007/08 for a pavement rehabilitation project in Inyo County.</li> <li>• Programs \$20,000 (\$18,000 of federal Transportation Enhancement (TE) funds, and \$2,000 of State cash) in FY 2006/07 for Preliminary Engineering (PE) for an Inyo County sidewalk, and shoulder paving project.</li> </ul>

- Modifies funding for the Humboldt County Ferndale Pedestrian improvement project by moving \$79,000 (\$70,000 of federal TE funds, \$9,000 of State cash) for PE in FY 2005/06 - FY 2006/07.
- Modifies funding for the Humboldt County Trinidad Park and Museum Access project by moving \$5,000 State cash for PE in FY 2005/06 - 2006/07.
- Changes the project manager for four projects: three projects in Amador County, one project in Mariposa County.
- Programs \$200,000 (\$160,000 of federal High Priority Project (HPP) funds, \$40,000 local transportation funds) in FY 2006/07 for PE for an Amador County State Route 49 at Plymouth project. This project is HPP 3321 and is eligible for \$800,000 of federal HPP funds. Only PE is being programmed at this time.
- Modifies funding and changes the scope of a Nevada County Wolf/Combie Road project. This project was excluded from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) approval of the 2007 FSTIP under Item 4 of the October 2, 2006, correspondence. This amendment downsizes the project to a signal/channelization project with short sections of widening at the signal for operational purposes. As a result, the project is exempt from regional analysis per Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Chapter 93.127, Table 3. Funding for right-of-way in FY 2008/09 has been restored for this project.
- Modifies funding for a Nevada County Dorsey Drive Interchange project. This project was excluded from the FHWA approval of the 2007 FSTIP under Item 4 of the October 2, 2006, correspondence because the air quality conformity determination had not been finalized. The conformity determination has now been completed, and correspondence from FHWA dated October 31, 2006, states this project may now be included in the FSTIP.

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration approve this Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment No. 3 for inclusion into California's 2006/07 – 2008/09 FSTIP.

The updated programming is for projects that are either associated with projects proposed for implementation in areas of the State that are designated as attainment, or unclassified for federal air quality standards or are associated with projects of the types listed in 40 CFR Section 93.126, Table 2, or Table 3. Therefore, as a consequence, are not subject to the requirement that a conformity determination be made, or are exempt from the regional emissions analysis and conformity requirements. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. An updated financial summary table is provided for this amendment.

Projects included in this FTIP, in fiscal years beyond the three-year cycle of the current FSTIP, are not approved as part of this FTIP amendment and are for information only. These projects are included and submitted by the California Department of Transportation through the California Transportation Improvement Program System.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Penny Gray, of my staff, at (916) 654-3521.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

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