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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

The California Department of Transportation has completed their review of the following amendments to the Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG) 2006/07-2009/10 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

No. Description

11 & **State, Local and Transit Elements**

- 11-A • Amendment No. 11 adds or modifies projects from various funding programs in Stanislaus County. The amendment includes projects with funding from the State Transportation Improvement Program, Highway Bridge Program, Regional Surface Transportation Program, High Priority Projects Program, and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5307, 5317 and 3037 programs. StanCog has requested to exclude "Carpenter Road Bridge Seismic Retrofit Project" from Amendment No. 11 approval. Documentation from StanCog is enclosed.
- Amendment No. 11-A (Addendum to Amendment No. 11) programs "North County Corridor" project to construct 4-lane expressway on State Route 108 between Modesto City limits and the City of Oakdale. The amendment programs \$ 4,900,000 in local funds in the Fiscal Year 2008/09 to conduct environmental studies.

See Enclosure.

The StanCOG Board Resolutions adopting these FTIP amendments certifies that projects included are financially constrained, satisfy the transportation conformity provisions, and meet the requirements of public involvement.

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Pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve StanCOG's Amendment Nos. 11 & 11-A. I also recommend that the Federal Highway Administration and FTA approve these FTIP amendments for inclusion into California's 2007 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in these FTIP amendments, in fiscal years not within the four-year cycle of the current FSTIP, are not approved as part of these FTIP amendments and are shown for information only.

Please note that the approval of these amendments do not constitute an eligibility determination for the projects that are federally funded.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Abhijit Bagde, of my staff, at (916) 654-3638.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

- c: Karina O'Connor – EPA Office of Air Planning (w/enclosure)
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