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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

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Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

The California Department of Transportation has completed the review of the following amendment to the Stanislaus Council of Governments (StanCOG) 2008/09-2011/12 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

No.	Description
5	**Local and Transit Elements** Adds projects from various programs in StanCOG region. The amendment includes projects with funding from the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5310 Program, and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). See Enclosure.

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

Pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve StanCOG's Amendment No. 5. I also recommend that the Federal Highway Administration and FTA approve this FTIP amendment for inclusion into California's 2009 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP amendment, in fiscal years not within the four-year cycle of the current FSTIP, are not approved as part of this FTIP amendment and are shown for information only. Approval of this amendment does not constitute an eligibility determination of projects for federal funding.

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

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