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Mr. Muhaned Aljabiry  
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Division of Transportation Programming, MS82  
P.O. Box 942874  
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Attention: Dennis Jacobs,

**Subject: Withdrawal of the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG)  
Amendment No. 20 to the 2009 FTIP (STIM 2 revenue-only)**

Dear Mr. Aljabiry:

Amendment No. 20 to the 2009 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) added revenue projected to result from the Economic Stimulus II (STIM 2-\$41,712, 000). TCAG programmed these funds based on estimates in accordance with the "Guidance on Programming Jobs for Main Street Act of 2010 (STIM 2)" developed by Caltrans and FHWA. This guidance was superseded when FHWA issued a ruling that stated "funds expected from the Jobs Bill can be used to demonstrate fiscal constraint, and can be regarded as "available" when a bill is signed into law by the President." TCAG has been notified by Caltrans that FHWA will not be changing the ruling. Consequently FHWA will not approve any amendment that contains STIM 2 funding.

In order that the 2009 FTIP remains consistent all applicable transportation planning requirements per 23 CFR Part 450 and 40 CFR Part 93, TCAG is hereby withdrawing Amendment No. 20; as the potential funds associated with the Jobs for Main Street Act are no longer considered "reasonably available." TCAG has consulted with our Caltrans HQ Programming and received concurrence that Amendment No. 20 be withdrawn.

If you have any questions regarding this document, please contact Eddie Wendt 559-624-7265.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ted Smalley". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ted Smalley  
Executive Director  
Tulare County Association of Governments