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February 14, 2012

Mr. Hasan Ikhrata
Executive Director
Southern California Association of Governments
818 West Seventh Street
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Dear Mr. Ikhrata:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) received the Southern California Association of Governments' (SCAG) request for delegated authority from Caltrans to approve Administrative Modifications to the Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). The board action attached to your request indicates that the Executive Director is delegated the approval of Administrative Modifications for the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and the FSTIP. With the acknowledgement of your board action, Caltrans hereby delegates to SCAG the authority to approve Administrative Modifications to the FSTIP in accordance with the revised FSTIP/ FTIP Amendments and Administrative Modification Procedures dated June 3, 2011.

The following procedures apply to SCAG upon receiving Caltrans' delegation:

1. Prior to approving the FTIP/FSTIP administrative modifications, SCAG may consult with Caltrans on proposed changes.
2. SCAG may request Caltrans to provide a cursory review of the administrative modification prior to the SCAG's approval.
3. SCAG shall send copies of the approved administrative modifications to Caltrans, Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, and other stakeholders. Caltrans will post the approved administrative modifications on the Division of Transportation Programming Website.
4. Caltrans will routinely review SCAG's approved administrative modifications and will reject changes that do not comply with the attached procedures. In such cases SCAG must correct all items of noncompliance.
5. Caltrans will withdraw its delegation from SCAG if it is found to be consistently noncompliant with the revised FSTIP/ FTIP Amendments and Administrative Modification Procedures.

Thank you for requesting this delegation that will undoubtedly streamline your region's programming process and thus expedite projects. My staff is looking forward to working with your staff to ensure a successful implementation of this delegation. If you have any questions, please call Muhaned Aljabiry at (916) 654-2983.

Sincerely,

RACHEL FALSETTI, Chief
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