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Attention: Ms. Aimee Kratovil

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Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kratovil and Mr. Sukys:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has completed the review of the following amendment to the Southern California Association of Governments' (SCAG) 2010/11-2015/16 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

No.	Description
20	**State, Local and Transit Elements** • Amendments to add, modify, or delete projects from Imperial, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Ventura Counties. The amendment includes projects funded from various programs including the Surface Transportation Program, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program, State Transportation Improvement Program, State Highway Operation and Protection Program, Federal Earmarks, Coordinated Border Infrastructure Program, Proposition 1B – Transportation Bond Program, and various Federal Transit Administration (FTA) programs.

See enclosure.

SCAG has certified that the amendment is consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan, is financially constrained, does not affect timely implementation of the transportation control measures, and meets the requirements of public involvement procedures adopted by SCAG. SCAG has requested to exclude the State Route 79 Project in Riverside County (Project Id: RIV62024) from this amendment. This project relies on the regional emissions analysis that does not account for the latest Particulate Matter 2.5 budgets. Documentation from SCAG is enclosed.

Pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Director of Caltrans, I approve SCAG's Amendment No. 20. I also recommend that the Federal Highway Administration and FTA approve this FTIP amendment, excluding project noted above, for inclusion into California's 2011 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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Chief
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Enclosures

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