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Attention: Muhaned Aljabiry

Dear Ms. Falsetti:

SUBJECT: SLOCOG MPO 2010/11 FTIP/FSTIP AMENDMENT NO. 19

We have completed our review of Amendment No. 19 to the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments' (SLOCOG) 2010/11 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) that was submitted by your letter dated August 9, 2012. The amendment, adopted by the SLOCOG Board by Resolution No. 12-15 on July 30, 2012, adds a new State Highway Operations and Protection Program project to upgrade bridge rails on four bridges.

Pursuant to the July 15, 2004, *Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), California Division, and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Region IX*, we accept the proposed modifications to the 2010/11 FTIP/FSTIP for the SLOCOG Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) region in accordance with the Final Rule on Statewide and Metropolitan Transportation Planning that was published in the February 14, 2007, Federal Register. We find that the SLOCOG MPOs 2010/11 FTIP, through Amendment No. 19, was developed through a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process carried out in accordance with the metropolitan planning provisions of 23 U.S.C. 134, and 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 as amended by Section 6001 of Public Law 109-59, the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU).

The changes proposed to the Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) by this amendment are associated with projects that are either exempt from the requirements to determine conformity pursuant to 40 CFR 93.126 or 93.127; or are proposed for implementation in areas of the State of California that are designated as attainment or unclassified for Federal Air Quality Standards, and as a consequence, are not subject to the requirement that an air quality conformity determination be made.

If you have questions or need additional information concerning our approval of this FSTIP amendment, please contact Wade Hobbs of the FHWA California Division office at (916) 498-5027, or by email at Wade.Hobbs@dot.gov.

Sincerely,



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