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Mr. Malcolm Dougherty, Acting Director
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Attention: Federal Resources Office, M.S. 82
For Rachel Falsetti, Division of Transportation Programming

Dear Mr. Dougherty:

SUBJECT: SLOCOG MPO 2010/11 FTIP/FSTIP AMENDMENT NO. 7

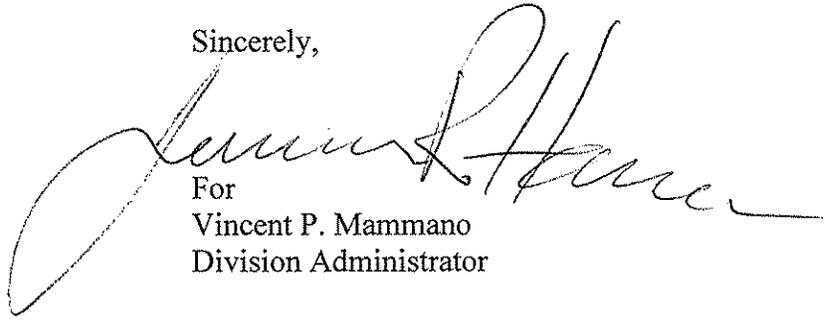
We have completed our review of Amendment No. 7 to the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments' (SLOCOG) 2010/11 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) that was submitted by your letter dated September 7, 2011. The amendment, adopted by the SLOCOG Board by Resolution No. 11-15 on August 3, 2011: adds a new project listing for the SLO North Coast Scenic Byway Corridor Plan Update; and updates the grouped project listing for the Caltrans SHOPP Minor Program project to include a new culvert replacement project on Route 46 about 4.1 mile east of Route 1 increasing the funds programmed in program year 2011/12 by approximately \$2 million.

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 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 MPO's 2010/11 FTIP, through Amendment No.7, 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 change proposed to the Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) by this FTIP amendment is for projects listed in an area of the State of California that is designated as attainment or unclassified for Federal air quality standards, and, as a consequence, is 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Vincent P. Mammano". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "V".

For
Vincent P. Mammano
Division Administrator

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SLOCOG MPO 2010/11 FTIP/FSTIP Binder

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