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Attention: Muhaned Aljabiry

SUBJECT: AMBAG 2012/13 MTIP/FSTIP AMENDMENT NO. 8

Dear Ms. Falsetti:

We have completed our review of Amendment No. 8 to the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) 2012/13 Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) that was submitted to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) by your letter dated September 12, 2013. This amendment, approved by the AMBAG Board of Directors by Resolution No. 2013-7 on September 11, 2013, modifies: three individually listed transit project for Monterey County; one individually listed highway project in San Benito County; and one grouped SHOPP project listing for pavement resurfacing and rehabilitation. The five transit and highway program project listings modified by this amendment were previously included in the AMBAG 2012/13 MTIP and the 2012/13 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP).

Based on our review of the information provided, we accept this amendment to the 2012/13 FSTIP in accordance with the Final Rule on statewide and metropolitan transportation planning that was published in the Federal Register on February 14, 2007. We are approving this amendment to the AMBAG portion of the 2012/13 FSTIP in accordance with the *July 15, 2004, Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Highway Administration, California Division, and the Federal Transit Administration, Region IX.*

We find that the AMBAG 2012 MTIP, including Amendment No. 8, was developed through a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with the metropolitan transportation planning provisions of 23 U.S.C. §134 and 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53. We also find that the changes proposed to the Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) by this MTIP amendment are 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.

Please note this letter constitutes approval of the amendment with the understanding that FTA funding on individual projects is subject to the grantees meeting the administrative and statutory requirements. If you have questions or need additional information concerning our approval of this amendment, please contact Wade Hobbs of the FHWA California Division office at (916) 498-5027, or by email at Wade.Hobbs@dot.gov; or Lucinda Eagle of the FTA Region IX office at (415) 744-0140, or by email at Lucinda.Eagle@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/ Leslie T. Rogers

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