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Dear Mr. Tong:

Thank you for your letter of March 22 requesting approval to use Pedestrian-Actuated Rectangular Rapid-Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) on a blanket basis at uncontrolled marked crosswalk locations statewide in California. Your request is made under the provisions of Section 1A.10 of the 2009 edition of the *Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways* and the Federal Highway Administration's Interim Approval memorandum (IA-21) dated March 20, 2018 for the optional use of RRFBs.

Your request is approved. This approval is granted on a blanket basis for all locations in California at which the California Department of Transportation or local highway agencies install RRFBs under the technical conditions contained in IA-21.

Please develop and periodically update a list of all locations where RRFBs are installed in California. Local jurisdictions that install RRFBs under this Interim Approval should inform your office of such installations so you can maintain a comprehensive list of locations.

For recordkeeping purposes, we have assigned your request the following number and title: "IA-21.13 –Rectangular Rapid-Flashing Beacons at Crosswalks – CA DOT (Statewide)." Please refer to this number and title in any future correspondence.

Thank you for your interest in improving pedestrian safety. If we can be of further assistance on this matter, please contact Mr. Duane Thomas at duane.thomas@dot.gov.

Sincerely yours,

Mark R. Kehrli
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Operations