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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

The California Department of Transportation has completed the review of the following amendment to the Merced County Association of Governments' (MCAG) 2008/09-2012/13 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
5	State, Local and Transit Elements This amendment programs a Lump Sum of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 funds for Local Road Rehabilitation projects for MCAG jurisdictions and adds exempt transit projects using ARRA Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds 5307, 5311 and 5311 (f) for a variety of projects for Merced County Transit and Yosemite Area Regional Transit (YARTS).

See Enclosure.

MCAG has certified that the amendment is financially constrained and meets the requirements of public involvement procedures adopted by MCAG.

Pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve MCAG's Amendment No. 5. I also recommend that Federal Highway Administration and FTA approve this FTIP amendment for inclusion into California's 2009 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program.

Mr. Walter C. Waidelich, Jr./ Leslie T. Rogers

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Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Joanne McDermott of my staff, at (916) 651-7411.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rachel Falsetti', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

RACHEL FALSETTI

Chief

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Enclosures

- c: Lisa Hanf - EPA Office of Air Planning (w/enclosure)
- Karina OConnor - EPA Office of Air Planning (w/enclosure)
- Jesse. B. Brown, Executive Director of MCAG.
- Terry Lewis, MCAG
- Joanne McDermott- Caltrans