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Attention: Sue Kiser

Attention: Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is transmitting the following amendment to the California 2008/09 – 2011/12 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) for your approval. This amendment modifies and adds projects in the rural, non-Metropolitan Planning Organization (non-MPO) portion of the state. This amendment also modifies funding for projects funded with American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act) funds.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
21	Recovery Act Funds

- This amendment programs a new Transportation Enhancement (TE) project in Mariposa County, the Masonic Lodge Restoration. The project is funded with \$25,000 of Recovery Act funds in Fiscal Year (FY) 2009/10.

Transit Element

- Federal Transit Authority (FTA) Section 5311 (Rural and Small Urban Areas) – This amendment programs \$1,354,394 of FY 2009 FTA Section 5311 funds and \$9,272,000 of local match for Operating Assistance in FY 2009/10.
- FTA Section 5309 (Bus and Bus Facilities) – This amendment programs \$202,000 of 2008 FTA Section 5309 funds and \$51,000 of local match for the Gold Country Stage Transit Transfer Center in FY 2009/10.
- FTA Section 5309 (Bus and Bus Facilities) – This amendment programs \$600,000 for a 1999 FTA Section 5309 Grant, CA-03-0580, and a local match of \$150,000 for the Mendocino County Alternative Fuel Infrastructure project in FY 2009/10. Only the preliminary engineering phase is programmed at this time.

State and Local Elements

- Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) – This amendment programs seven new CMAQ projects in Nevada and Mariposa counties in FY 2009/10.
- Section 130 Railway Funds – This amendment programs \$4,862,000 of Section 130 Railway Funds for four projects in Modoc County in FY 2009/10. The projects are included in a grouped project listing. No local match is required for these projects.
- Highway Bridge Program (HBP) – This amendment updates the cost and schedule for the grouped project listing for the local HBP program. The grouped project listing includes federal HBP, local match, and state bond fund sources.
- National Scenic Byways Program – This amendment corrects the funding for the Ebbetts Pass Bilingual Media project. Funding is moved from FY 2008/09 to FY 2009/10. Cost are also updated for the Ebbetts Pass Interpretive Plan.
- Programs a new project, Hyampom Road Retaining Walls, in Trinity County. This project is funded with \$650,000 of local funds in FY 2009/10.

See Enclosure

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration and FTA approve this Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment No. 21 for inclusion into California's FSTIP.

Based upon correspondence from FHWA dated May 27, 2008, projects in non-metropolitan isolated non-attainment areas of the State do not need to meet project conformity to be included in the FSTIP. However, such projects must comply with project level conformity requirements when a Federal action such as a National Environmental Protection Agency decision or obligation of funds, is taken on the project.

This amendment was made available for public review and comment December 2-16, 2009. The response to comments received is enclosed. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. An updated financial summary table is provided for this amendment. In addition, there are no projects in this Amendment No. 21 that are included in any other amendment that is currently open for public review.

Projects included in this FTIP, in fiscal years beyond the four-year cycle of the current FSTIP, are not approved as part of this FTIP amendment and are for information only. These projects are included and submitted by the California Department of Transportation through the California Transportation Improvement Program System.

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Please note that the approval of this amendment does not constitute an eligibility determination for the projects that are federally funded.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Penny Gray, of my staff, at (916) 654-3521.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

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