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Mr. Will Kempton, Director
California Department of Transportation
1120 N Street
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Attention: Rachel Falsetti, Division of Transportation Programming, MS-82

Dear Mr. Kempton:

Re: SBCAG 2009 Federal Transportation Improvement Program; Amendment #5

We have completed our review of the Santa Barbara Association of Governments (SBCAG) 2009 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) Amendment #5, as requested by your letter of February 25, 2009.

We find SBCAG's FTIP Amendment #5 was developed based on a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with 23 USC 134 & 135, 49 USC 5303-5305, and 23 CFR 450. California Department of Transportation assures this amendment has met the financial constraint requirements included in our transportation planning regulations, i.e. 23 CFR 450.324(e).

As of June 15, 2005, SBCAG is no longer a non-attainment area, and thereby is no longer subject to the air quality conformity requirements of 40 CFR parts 51 & 93.

This letter constitutes approval of this amendment which programs various projects funded from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The SBCAG FTIP Amendment #5 is approved and included into California's 2009 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) with the understanding the eligibility of individual projects is subject to the applicant's satisfaction of all FTA and FHWA administrative requirements.

In accordance with the July 15, 2004, *Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Federal Highway Administration, California Division and the Federal Transit Administration, Region IX*, the FTA has concurred with the approval of this FTIP amendment. This approval is

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based on the California Department of Transportation's assurance that the funding for this amendment does not adversely impact the FSTIP Financial Plan.

If you have any questions regarding this determination, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Michelle Noch of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Office at (213) 202-3953

Sincerely,

/s/ Leslie Rogers

/s/ K. Sue Kiser

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