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Attention: Muhaned Aljabiry

SUBJECT: SLOCOG MPO 2012/13 FTIP/FSTIP AMENDMENT NO. 5

Dear Ms. Falsetti:

We have completed our review of Amendment No. 5 to the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments' (SLOCOG) 2012/13 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) that was submitted by your letter dated September 24, 2013. The amendment, adopted by the SLOCOG board by Resolution No. 13-13 on September 4, 2013, adds two new grouped project listings for the Job Access and Reverse Commute and New Freedom Grant programs and modifies one individually listed State Highway Operations and Protection (SHOPP) program project and two grouped listings for SHOPP program projects.

Pursuant to the July 15, 2004, Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), California Division, and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Region IX, we accept the proposed modifications to the 2010/11 FTIP/FSTIP for the SLOCOG Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) region in accordance with the Final Rule on Statewide and Metropolitan Transportation Planning that was published in the February 14, 2007, Federal Register. We find that the SLOCOG MPO's 2012/13 FTIP, including Amendment No. 5, was developed through a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process carried out in accordance with the metropolitan planning provisions of 23 U.S.C. 134, and 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 as amended by Public Law 112-141, the "*Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act*" (MAP-21).

The changes proposed to the Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) by this amendment are associated with projects that are exempt from the requirements to determine conformity pursuant to 40 CFR 93.126 or 93.127, and as a consequence, are not subject to the requirement that an air quality conformity determination be made.

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 FSTIP amendment, please contact Wade Hobbs in the FHWA office at (916) 498-5027, or by email at Wade.Hobbs@dot.gov; or Jerome Wiggins of the FTA Region IX office at (415) 744-2819, or by email at Jerome.Wiggins@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

/s/ Leslie T. Rogers

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