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2011 TIP — Federal Approval Documentation

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2011 FSTIP FEDERAL APPROVAL LETTER



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Ms. Cindy McKim, Director
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Attention: Federal Resources Office, M.S. 82
For Rachel Falsetti, Division of Transportation Programming

Dear Ms. McKim:

SUBJECT: 2010 FEDERAL STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

We have completed our review of California's proposed 2010/11- 2013/14 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (2011 FSTIP) and Statewide and Metropolitan Planning Certifications and related supporting documentation that was submitted by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) by letter dated November 12, 2010. Once approved by the FTA and FHWA, the 2011 FSTIP supersedes the 2009 California FSTIP and all subsequent amendments to the 2009 FSTIP that were approved by the FHWA and FTA on or after November 17, 2008.

Section 450.218 of Title 23, Code of Federal Regulations, requires the State to submit the updated FSTIP concurrently to the FTA and the FHWA at least every four years for joint approval. California's proposed 2011 FSTIP includes the project and project phase listings for proposed transportation projects located outside the planning area boundaries of the the State's designated Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs). California's proposed 2011 FSTIP also incorporates by reference those projects in the State of California listed in the 2011 Federal Transportation Improvements Programs (FTIPs) that were adopted by the State's eighteen MPOs and approved by the Governor of the State of California.

The FHWA and the FTA have completed the air quality conformity determinations required by 23 CFR 450.216(b) for the MPO FTIPs in areas of the State designated as nonattainment or maintenance for national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS).

Based on our review of the information submitted with the State's proposed 2011 FSTIP, including revenue and proposed project funding information required to demonstrate financial

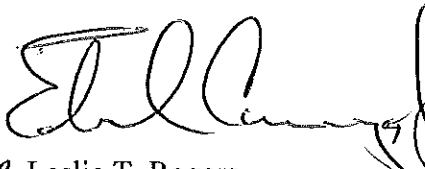


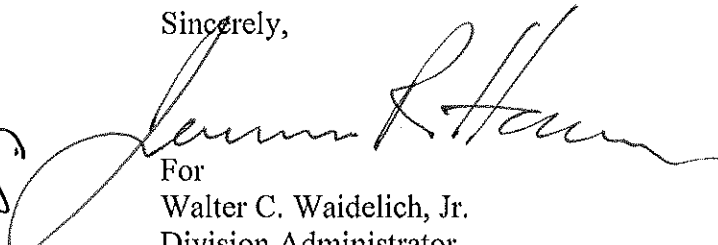
constraint, and documentation for statewide and metropolitan planning process in support of California's Statewide Planning Certification, we are approving the 20011 FSTIP as proposed. Any project or project phase listed in a MPO FTIP that is not included in the MPO's Regional Transportation Plan, is not approved for inclusion in the FSTIP pursuant to 23 CFR §§450.216(k) and 450.324(g).

Our FSTIP approval action includes project listings that indicate no funds are proposed for obligation during the four-year program period from 2010/11 to 2013/14. These projects and project phases cannot be advanced to implementation without an action by the FHWA and the FTA on the FSTIP pursuant to 23 CFR 450.216(l) and 450.328(e). Further, project or project phase funding included in the 2011 FSTIP that is listed/proposed for obligation outside the four year program cycle is accepted by the FHWA and the FTA as 'informational' in accord with 23 CFR §§450.216(a) and 450.324(a).

We are approving the 2009 FSTIP with the understanding that the eligibility of individual projects for funding is subject to the applicant's satisfaction of all administrative requirements. This joint FHWA and FTA approval of the FSTIP does not constitute an eligibility determination for the federal funds proposed for obligation on the listed projects. If you have questions or need additional information concerning our approval of the 2010/11 FSTIP, please contact Wade Hobbs in the FHWA California Division office at (916) 498-5027, or by email at Wade.Hobbs@dot.gov; or Ted Matley in the FTA Region IX office at (415) 744-2590, or by email at Ted.Matley@dot.gov.

Sincerely,


 For Leslie T. Rogers
 Regional Administrator
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 For
 Walter C. Waidelich, Jr.
 Division Administrator
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The Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) earlier 2010/2011 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP) approval letter contained a typographical error.

We apologize for this typographical error and any confusion that it may have caused.

FHWA and FTA's 2010/2011 FSTIP approval letter should read as follows:

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Based on our review of the information submitted with the State's proposed 2010/2011 FSTIP, including revenue and proposed project funding information required to demonstrate financial constraint, and documentation for statewide and metropolitan planning process in support of California's Statewide Planning Certification, we are approving the 2010/2011 FSTIP as proposed. Any project or project phase listed in a MPO FTIP that is not included in the MPO's Regional Transportation Plan, is not approved for inclusion in the FSTIP pursuant to 23 CFR §§450.216(k) and 450.324(g).

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Sincerely,



For

Walter C. Waidelich, Jr.
Division Administrator



FEDERAL APPROVAL OF CONFORMITY DETERMINATION



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Dear Mr. Heminger:

SUBJECT: Conformity Determination for MTC's 2011 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) and the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have completed our review of the conformity determination for the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (MTC's) 2011 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) and the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). A FTA/FHWA air quality conformity determination is required pursuant to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) *Transportation Conformity Rule*, 40 CFR Parts 51 and 93, and the United States Department of Transportation's *Metropolitan Planning Rule*, 23 CFR Part 450.

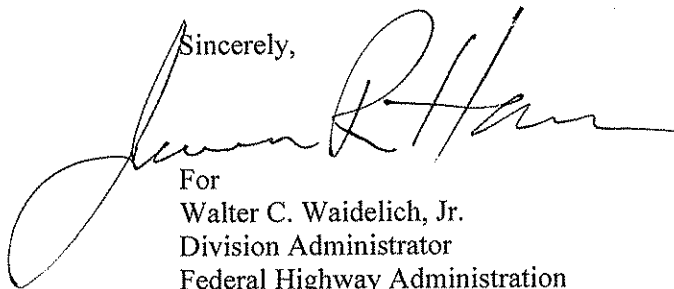
On October 27, 2010, MTC adopted the 2011 RTIP and made the corresponding conformity determination. The conformity analysis submitted by MTC indicates that all air quality conformity requirements have been met. Based on our review, we find that the 2011 RTIP and 2035 RTP conform to the applicable state implementation plan in accordance with the provisions of 40 CFR Parts 51 and 93. 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 this conformity determination. Additionally, this conformity determination was made after consultation with the EPA, Region 9 office.

If you have questions or need additional information concerning this conformity determination, please contact Mr. Stew Sonnenberg of the FHWA California Division office at (916) 498-5889.

/s/ Leslie T. Rogers

Leslie T. Rogers
Regional Administrator
Federal Transit Administration

Sincerely,



For
Walter C. Waidelich, Jr.
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