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SUBJECT: Conformity Determination for Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) 2015 Federal Transportation Improvement Program and Amendment #4 to the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy

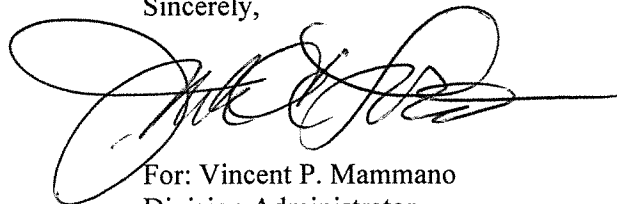
Dear Mr. McKeever:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have completed our review of the conformity determination for the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) 2015 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) and Amendment #4 to the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS). A FHWA/FTA air quality conformity determination is required for the new FTIP 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 *Final Rule on Statewide and Metropolitan Planning*, 23 CFR Part 450.

On September 18, 2014, SACOG adopted the 2015 FTIP and Amendment #4 to the 2035 RTP/SCS and made the corresponding conformity determination via Resolution 47-2014. The conformity analysis submitted indicates that all air quality conformity requirements have been met. Based on our review, and after consultation with the EPA Region 9 office, we find that the 2015 FTIP and Amendment #4 to the 2035 RTP/SCS 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.

In accordance with the above MOU, the FHWA's single signature constitutes FHWA and FTA's joint air quality conformity determination for the SACOG 2015 FTIP and Amendment #4 to the 2035 RTP/SCS. If you have any questions pertaining to this conformity finding, please contact Jack Lord at (916) 498-5888, or by email at jack.lord@dot.gov.

Sincerely,



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