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Subject:

Conformity Determination for the Fresno Council of Governments (FCOG) 2017

Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP)

Dear Mr. Boren:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have completed our review of the submitted conformity determination for the Fresno Council of Government's (FCOG) 2017 FTIP and Corresponding Conformity Analysis. A FTA/FHWA 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 Statewide and Metropolitan Planning Rule, 23 CFR Part 450.

On September 29, 2016 FCOG adopted the subject conformity analysis and made the corresponding conformity determination via Resolution 2016-23. 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 2017 FTIP conforms to the applicable state implementation plan in accordance with the provisions of 40 CFR Parts 51 and 93. In accordance with the December 15, 2014 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 FCOG's 2017 FTIP. If you have any questions pertaining to this conformity finding, please contact Scott Carson, FHWA (scott.carson@dot.gov), at (916) 498-5029.

Sincerely, Like L. Eleman

For: Vince Mammano Division Administrator