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Mr. Hasan Ikhata
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Attention: Ms. Maria Lopez

SUBJECT: Conformity Determination for SCAG's 2015 FTIP, 2015 FTIP Amendment No. 15-01, and SCAG's 2012-2035 RTP/SCS through Amendment No. 2

Dear Mr. Ikhata:

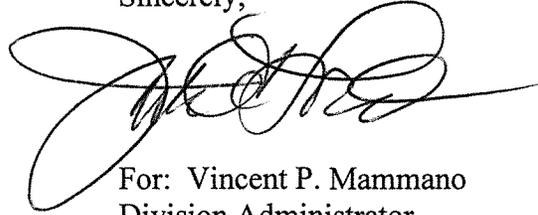
The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have completed our reviews of the conformity determination for the Southern California Association of Governments' (SCAG) 2015-18 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) including Amendment No. 1 and 2012-2035 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) Amendment No. 2. A FHWA/FTA air quality conformity determination is required for SCAG's 2015 FTIP including Amendment No. 15-01, and 2012-2035 RTP/SCS Amendment No. 2 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 11, 2014, SCAG adopted the 2015-18 FTIP including Amendment No. 1, and 2012-2035 RTP/SCS Amendment No. 2. SCAG made the corresponding conformity determinations via Resolution Nos. 14-562-3 and 14-562-2, respectively. 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 IX office, we find that SCAG's 2015-18 FTIP including Amendment No. 1, and 2012-2035 RTP/SCS Amendment No. 2 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 FHWA California Division and the FTA Region IX*, FTA has concurred with this conformity determination.

In accordance with the above MOU, FHWA's single signature constitutes FHWA and FTA's joint air quality conformity determination for SCAG's 2015-18 FTIP, 2015 FTIP Amendment 15-01, and 2012-2035 RTP/SCS Amendment No. 2.

If you have any questions pertaining to this conformity finding, please contact Jack Lord of the FHWA at (916) 498-5888 or by email at jack.lord@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Vincent P. Mammano', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

For: Vincent P. Mammano
Division Administrator