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Ms. Rosa De Leon Park
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SUBJECT: Conformity Determination for StanCOG's 2019 FTIP and 2018 RTP/SCS

Dear Ms. Park:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have completed our reviews of the conformity determination for the Stanislaus Council of Governments' (StanCOG) 2019 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP), and 2018 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS).

A FHWA/FTA air quality conformity determination is required pursuant the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) *Transportation Conformity Rule*, 40 Code of Federal Regulations (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 August 15, 2018 StanCOG adopted the 2019 FTIP and 2018 RTP/SCS. The conformity analysis submitted by StanCOG indicates that all air quality conformity requirements have been met. Based on our review, we find that StanCOG's 2019 FTIP and 2019 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 February 14, 2018 *Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the FHWA California Division and the FTA Region 9*, FTA has concurred with this conformity determination. As agreed in the MOA, FHWA's single signature constitutes the FHWA and the FTA's joint air quality conformity determination for StanCOG's 2019 FTIP and 2018 RTP/SCS.

If you have questions pertaining to this conformity finding, contact Scott Carson of the FHWA California Division's Office at (916) 498-5029, or by email at scott.carson@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tashia J. Clemons". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'T'.

Tashia J. Clemons
Director, Planning and Environment
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