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Attention: Ms. Sue Alpert

SUBJECT: Conformity Determination for SANDAG's 2019 FTIP

Dear Mr. Ikhata:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have completed our reviews of the conformity determination for the San Diego Association of Governments' (SANDAG) 2019-22 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP). A FHWA/FTA air quality conformity determination is required for SANDAG's new 2019-22 FTIP pursuant to 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 September 28, 2018 SANDAG adopted the 2019-22 FTIP and made the corresponding conformity determination via Resolution No. RTC-2019-01. 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 SANDAG's 2019-22 FTIP conforms to the applicable state implementation plan in accordance with the provisions of 40 CFR Parts 51 and 93. In correlation with the February 14, 2018 *Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the FHWA California Division and the FTA Region 9*, the FTA has concurred with this conformity determination.

Also, as associated with the above MOA, the FHWA's single signature constitutes the FHWA and the FTA's joint air quality conformity determination for SANDAG's 2019-22 FTIP.

If you have questions pertaining to this conformity finding, contact Michael Morris ([michael.morris@dot.gov](mailto:michael.morris@dot.gov)) of the FHWA California Division's Cal-South Office at (213) 894-4014.

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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