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Joint Approval of November 2017 revisions to the FY 2017-2020 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

James M. Bass  
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125 E. 11<sup>th</sup> Street  
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Attention: Marc Williams

Dear Mr. Bass:

We have reviewed the November 2017 revisions to the FY 2017-2020 STIP transmitted with your February 15, 2018 letter, received on February 26, 2018. Based upon our review, these revisions to the STIP are hereby approved subject to the enclosed comments. Please note STIP approval for projects that are not federally funded is not intended to provide federal endorsement or action.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact either Ms. Genevieve Bales of the FHWA Texas Division at (512) 536-5941 or Ms. Lynn Hayes of the FTA Region VI office at (817) 978-0565 for additional information.

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosure

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**2017 November STIP Revision  
- Federal Comments**

<b>#</b>	<b>District / MPO</b>	<b>CSJ Number</b>	<b>STIP comment</b>
1	AUS / CAMPO	0016-01-121	Not Approved. October 2016 CAMPO 2040 RTP and 2017-2020 TIP amendments reflect project funding as Develop Authority (DA). It is our understanding that DA funded projects cannot be included in the TIP/STIP. Additionally, the 2040 RTP project description indicates southbound ramp reversal. Approval is withheld pending clarification of project funding and confirmation of project scope.
2	AUS / CAMPO	0471-02-070	Not Approved. October 2016 CAMPO 2040 RTP amendments reflect project funding as Develop Authority (DA). It is our understanding that DA funded projects cannot be included in the TIP/STIP. Approval is withheld pending clarification of project funding.
3	AUS / CAMPO	0471-04-030	Not Approved. October 2016 CAMPO 2040 RTP amendments reflect project funding as Develop Authority (DA). It is our understanding that DA funded projects cannot be included in the TIP/STIP. Approval is withheld pending clarification of project funding.
4	AUS / CAMPO	0471-05-038	Not Approved. October 2016 CAMPO 2040 RTP amendments reflect project funding as Develop Authority (DA). It is our understanding that DA funded projects cannot be included in the TIP/STIP. Approval is withheld pending clarification of project funding.
5	HOU / H-GAC	0027-09-104	Not Approved. Project reflects a 2022 TIP Year; however, 2022 is outside the time-frame of the 2017-2020 STIP. Approval is withheld pending clarification of the project's TIP year.
6	HOU / H-GAC	0028-02-092	Not Approved. Unable to determine CMAQ funding eligibility with the information provided. Also, estimated emission reductions not provided. Approval withheld pending clarification of these items.
7	HOU / H-GAC	0192-01-099	Not Approved. Unable to determine CMAQ funding eligibility with the information provided. Also, estimated emission reductions not provided. Approval withheld pending clarification of these items.
8	HOU / H-GAC	0508-01-356	Not Approved. Unable to determine CMAQ funding eligibility with the information provided. Also, estimated emission reductions not provided. Approval withheld pending clarification of these items.

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9	HOU / H-GAC	0912-00-549	Not Approved. Unable to determine CMAQ funding eligibility with the information provided. Approval withheld pending clarification of project scope and CMAQ eligibility.
10	HOU / H-GAC	1062-04-057	Not Approved. Total project cost appears to be substantially greater than that reflected in H-GACs 2040 RTP. Approval is withheld pending clarification of the projects consistency with H-GACs 2040 RTP.
11	HOU / H-GAC	1685-03-058	Not Approved. H-GAC's 2040 RTP indicates a 2035 transportation conformity analysis year. However, based upon the project's proposed let year and a 2-year construction time-frame a 2025 transportation conformity analysis year is anticipated. Approval is withheld pending clarification of the project's transportation conformity analysis year and consistency with H-GAC's 2040 RTP.
12	HOU / H-GAC	2941-02-054	Not Approved. Unable to determine CMAQ funding eligibility with the information provided. Also, estimated emission reductions not provided. Approval withheld pending clarification of these items.
13	HOU / H-GAC	3510-06-007	Not Approved. Based on the February 15, 2018 letter submitted by TxDOT, H-GAC has requested delaying further processing of this project. This was concurred with by the Governors representative, Executive Director Bass.