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Joint Approval of the September 2013 Out-of-Cycle Revisions to the FY 2013-2016 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

Mr. Phil Wilson
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Texas Department of Transportation
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Attention: Marc Williams

Dear Mr. Wilson:

We have reviewed the September 2013 Out-of-Cycle Revisions to the FY 2013-2016 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) transmitted with your October 21, 2013 approval, received at FHWA on October 29, 2013. Based upon our review, these revisions to the STIP are hereby approved subject to the enclosed comments.

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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2013-2016 STIP September Out of Cycle 2013 Revisions

	MPO /District	CSJ Number	STIP comment
1	FY 2014 Statewide Funding Summary	H-GAC	Please clarify or revise Statewide Funding Summary as appropriate. The FY 2014 Strategy Budget PE funding (\$1,000,000) noted for H-GAC appears inconsistent with the information provided in H-GAC's FY 2013-2016 TIP Funding Summary (i.e., this funding (\$1,000,000) is noted as Strategy 102 Budget funding in H-GAC's FY 2013-2016 TIP funding summary).
2	H-GAC / Houston	0912-72-953	Not Approved. Approval of this revision is withheld pending verification of the transitway's estimated completion date. H-GAC's conforming 2035 RTP Update indicates a post 2018 transportation conformity analysis year for the proposed transitway.
3	H-GAC / Houston	0912-72-952	Not Approved. Approval of this revision is withheld pending verification of the transitway's estimated completion date. H-GAC's conforming 2035 RTP Update indicates a post 2018 transportation conformity analysis year for the proposed transitway.
4	H-GAC / Houston	0912-72-951	Not Approved. Approval of this revision is withheld pending verification of the transitway's estimated completion date. The projects proposes reconstruction of Post Oak Boulevard between IH-610 and Richmond Avenue and construction of a transitway within these limits. H-GAC's conforming 2035 RTP Update indicates a post 2018 transportation conformity analysis year for the proposed transitway. Additionally, CSJ 0912-72-951 proposes the use of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Program funding, however roadway reconstruction is not eligible for CMAQ funding. Accordingly, the use of CMAQ funding would be limited to construction of the transitway.