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Approval of October Out of Cycle FY 2011-2014 Statewide Transportation
Improvement Program (STIP) Revisions

Mr. James Randall, P. E.
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Dear Mr. Randall:

We have reviewed the October Out-Of-Cycle FY 2011-2014 STIP revisions transmitted with Mr. Phil Wilson's November 16, 2011, approval. Based upon our review, these revisions to the STIP are hereby approved subject to the following comment:

At a public meeting for the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), three members of the public completed and returned comment forms, two of which included public comment. The TXDOT response was a simple form letter with thanks in lieu of a full response to the public comments.

It is important that TXDOT not only acknowledges, but also responds to public comments received (23 CFR 450.210). Based on the comments received, TXDOT staff should work in collaboration with the District, Finance and Public Transportation sections and the MPO, if applicable, in providing a complete response to the comments received from the public.

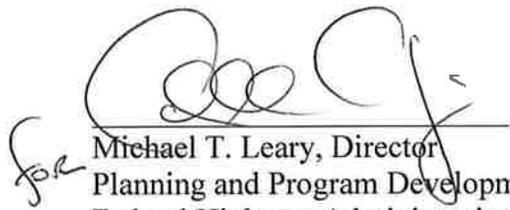
Furthermore, if the comment is not applicable to the TXDOT mission or activities, it should be shared with the correct office and staff. The response regarding a comment that is not applicable to TXDOT should include the person or office, along with contact information, so that the public may follow up on their comment.

A full response to public comments received during the STIP public involvement meetings is required by close of business on December 12, 2011. Given the number of comments, this may be accomplished with individual responses or one letter addressing all of the comments. Per agreement between FHWA and FTA please provide both agencies with a copy of the revised response(s) to the public comments.

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Should you have any questions or for additional information, please contact
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Sincerely yours,


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