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Refer to: HPP-IX

Joint Approval of March 6, 2009
Out-of-Cycle (OOC) Revisions to the FY 08-11
Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

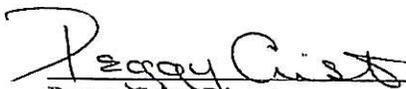
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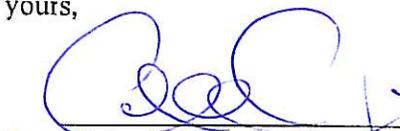
Dear Mr. Randall:

We have reviewed the March 6, 2009 Out-of-Cycle (OOC) Revisions to the FY 2008-2011 STIP transmitted by Mr. Amadeo Saenz's cover letter of April 22, 2009 received by our office on April 24th. Based upon our review, the March 6, 2009 OOC Revisions to the STIP are hereby approved subject to the general and project specific comments noted within the attachment.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact either Mr. Kirk Fauver of the FHWA Texas Division at (512) 536-5952 or Ms. Lynn Hayes of FTA Region 6 office at (817) 978-0565 for additional information.

Sincerely yours,


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ATTACHMENT #1-

March 6, 2009 STIP Revision Comments

Dallas District / MPO:

1. CSJ 0196-07-027 is not approved due to eligibility issues. These issues were further communicated by Mike Leary on April 21 to ENV, TPP and DES.

Fort Worth District / MPO:

1. CSJ 0422-05-001 is not approved due to Mobility 2030 / 2007 Transportation Conformity versus 2008-2011 STIP opening date assumptions.

Houston District / MPO:

1. CSJ 2523-02-058: The currently conforming 2035 RTP for the Houston-Galveston area appears to indicate widening from 2 to 4-lanes along this section of roadway in conjunction with this project. Approval of this revision is withheld pending the clarification of the proposed scope of work for this project and consistency with transportation conformity.
2. CSJ 0598-01-089: This revision is approved contingent upon the clarification of the scope of work (i.e., turn lanes, signals, etc.).
3. CSJ 1607-01-029: The currently conforming 2035 RTP for the Houston-Galveston area appears to indicate widening from 4 to 6-lanes along this section of roadway in conjunction with this project. Approval of this revision is withheld pending the clarification of the proposed scope of work for this project and consistency with transportation conformity.
4. CSJ 0912-00-901: This revision is approved contingent upon the clarification of the scope of work.

Pharr District:

1. US 281, CSJ 0255-03-026, not approved as Letter of Authority for project already approved based on current (as of February 2009 revision) STIP.
2. US 281, CSJ 0255-04-072, not approved as Letter of Authority for project already approved based on current (as of February 2009 revision) STIP.
3. US 281, CSJ 0255-14-001, not approved as Letter of Authority for project already

approved based on current (as of February 2009 revision) STIP.