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Attention: Muhaned Aljabiry

RE: MTC TIP Revision No. 2019-35 – Air Quality Amendment

Dear Mr. De Terra:

Please be advised that MTC recently made several changes to the 2019 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). TIP Revision No. 2019-35 revises the I-680 Express Lane Gap Closure project in Alameda County to maintain consistency with the Amended Regional Transportation Plan, Plan Bay Area 2040, including a net increase in funding of \$86 million.

MTC is required to make an air quality conformity determination for the amended Plan Bay Area 2040 and 2019 TIP, pursuant to the transportation conformity provisions found in 40 CFR Part 93 section 122(g). MTC staff consulted with the Air Quality Conformity Task Force on the approach to the conformity analysis, draft conformity analysis, response to public comments on the draft conformity analysis, and final conformity analysis. Based on the conformity analysis, a positive conformity determination can be made because the Amended Plan Bay Area 2040 and Amended 2019 TIP conform to the federal air quality standards and plans. The air quality conformity finding for the Amended Plan Bay Area 2040 and Amended 2019 TIP was adopted as MTC Resolution No. 4423 and has been mailed to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) under separate cover for their review and approval.

TIP financial constraint documentation submitted with this revision shows that MTC's TIP is financially constrained as required by the federal surface transportation programs authorizing legislation and statewide and metropolitan planning and programming regulations.

MTC's 2019 TIP, including Revision No. 2019-35, was developed through a continuing, cooperative, comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with 23 U.S.C. §134 and 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 and MTC's Public Participation Plan. The TIP public participation process also serves to satisfy the public involvement requirements of the FTA annual Program of Projects, for applicable funds.

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The revised TIP entries and the updated fiscal constraint documentation have been emailed to your staff and have been posted at MTC's TIP website at: http://mtc.ca.gov/our-work/fund-invest/transportation-improvement-program. If you have any questions regarding this revision, please contact Adam Crenshaw of my staff at (415) 778-6794 or Karl Anderson at (415) 778-6645.

Sincerely,

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Alix A. Bockelman Deputy Executive Director, Policy

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Attachments:

- 1. Revision Packet for TIP Revision 2019-35
- 2. MTC Resolution No. 4375, Revised
- cc: Mr. Xi Zhang, Caltrans District 4
 Mr. Jerry Claussenius, Caltrans District 4
 Mr. Abhijit J. Bagde, Caltrans Headquarters
 Mr. Fardad Falakfarsa, Caltrans Headquarters
 Mr. Antonio Johnson, FHWA
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