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Subject: Missoula 2011-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment I

Dear Ms. Zanto:

This responds to your August 1 letter transmitting Missoula's 2011-2015 TIP Amendment I.

Amendment I adjusts revenue and project costs using current estimates. New projects included in the amendment, as noted in your letter, are exempt under 40 CFR 93.126.

Fiscal constraint is demonstrated with the adjustments to the TIP revenues, project costs, or balance adjustments. Authorization of a project or a project phase is contingent upon revenue availability at the time of the authorization request. Revenue assumptions without a long-term highway authorization bill are based upon best available information.

Approval is hereby given to incorporate by reference Amendment I of the FY 2011-2015 Missoula TIP into Montana's current State Transportation Improvement Program.

Sincerely,

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