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Subject: Missoula Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) FFY 2016-2020 Amendment 2

Dear Ms. Zanto:

This responds to your March 17 letter transmitting the subject TIP amendment for Missoula.

The TIP amendment updated project costs for two projects, Orange Street interchange and Bitterroot River, and moves the Madison Street bridge into 2016 from 2020.

The conformity determination issued on March 8, 2013 for Missoula's 2012 Long-range Transportation Plan update (LRTP) is unchanged by the revisions to the TIP. I made this conformity determination after staff consultation with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 8 office.

Approval is hereby given to incorporate by reference Amendment 2 of the Missoula TIP into Montana's current Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) through a subsequent STIP amendment.

Sincerely,


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