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Attention: Mr. Micheal Morris

Attention: Mr. Mervin Acebo

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Attention: Mr. Peter Kang

Subject: Kern Council of Governments' Administrative Modification No. 16 to the 2023 Federal Transportation Improvement Program

Dear Mr. Morris, Mr. Acebo, and Mr. Kang:

On April 30, 2015, with the acknowledgment of the Kern Council of Governments (Kern COG) Board, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) delegated to the Kern COG Executive Director the authority to approve Administrative Modifications to the Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP)/Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP). This delegated authority is in accordance with the FSTIP/FTIP Amendment and Administrative Modification procedures.

The Kern COG Executive Director has completed a review of Administrative Modification No. 16 (Modification No. 16) to the 2023 FTIP. The Executive Director finds that the proposed change is consistent with the FTIP Amendment Policy adopted by the Kern COG Board; therefore, approves these changes. Kern COG certifies that the projects included in this modification are not included in any other amendment or modification to the 2023 FTIP currently out for public review or approval. The Kern COG staff reviewed the requests and has agreed to make administrative revisions to the 2023 FTIP reflecting changes to the project below:

Transit Program – KER180801, KER240801

The Kern COG Board approved the FFY 2024 FTA Section 5311 Program of Projects on May 16, 2024. Projects eligible for group listing are incorporated into the existing KER180801 and KER240801 grouped listing. Kern COG concurs with the request to expedite the appropriate changes as part of Modification No. 16 because: 1) there is no change in scope; and 2) there is a cost revision.

Revisions have been made to the California Transportation Improvement Program (CTIPS) database and are reflected in the enclosure. This administrative modification relies on the FSTIP financial capacity. The financial constraint documentation will be updated to reflect changes made by this administrative modification in the next formal amendment. It should be noted that the changes to these projects do not require a re-determination of the air quality conformity analysis.

Under the delegated authority received from Caltrans, Administrative Modifications do not require Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration or Caltrans approval. The purpose of this letter is to notify Caltrans, the Federal Highway Administration, and Federal Transit Administration that this Administrative Modification has taken place. If you should have any questions, please feel free to call Raquel Pacheco at (661) 635-2907.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ahron Hakimi', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ahron Hakimi,
Executive Director

AH/RP/CV

Enclosures

cc: Jim Perrault, Caltrans District 6 (electronic)
Robert Johnson, Caltrans District 6 (electronic)
Mark Heckman, Caltrans District 9 (electronic)
Charlene Lee Lorenzo, FTA (electronic)
Karina O'Connor, US EPA (electronic)

Caltrans Summary of Changes

Amendment Type:
Amendment #:

Administrative Modification
16

Existing or New Project	MPO FTIP ID	PROJECT TITLE	FFY of Current Programming	FFY to be Programmed	Phase	Fund Source	% Cost Increase/ Decrease	DESCRIPTION OF CHANGE
Existing	KER180801	GROUPED PROJECTS FOR OPERATING ASSISTANCE TO TRANSIT AGENCIES	FFY 23/24	FFY 23/24	CON	FTA Section 5311	1%	Remove \$345,429
			FFY 23/24	FFY 23/24	CON	FTA Section 5311 (f)	1%	Add \$300,000
			FFY 23/24	FFY 23/24	CON	Local	3%	Add \$1,704,504
Existing	KER240801	GROUPED PROJECTS FOR PURCHASE OF NEW BUSES AND RAIL CARS TO REPLACE VEHICLES OR FOR MINOR EXPANSION OF THE FLEET	FFY 23/24	FFY 23/24	CON	FTA Section 5311	29%	Add \$314,034
			FFY 23/24	FFY 23/24	CON	Local	4%	Add \$40,687

Legend:

FTA Section 5311

Federal Transit Administration Section 5311

FTA Section 5311 (f)

Federal Transit Administration Section 5311 (f)

**Kern Council of Governments - Federal Transportation Improvement Program
(Dollars in Whole)
Transit System**

DIST: 06	PPNO:	EA:	CTIPS ID: 204-0000-0885	TITLE (DESCRIPTION): GROUPED PROJECTS FOR OPERATING ASSISTANCE TO TRANSIT AGENCIES (PROJECTS CONSISTENT WITH 40 CFR PART 93.126 EXEMPT TABLE 2 CATEGORY - OPERATING ASSISTANCE FOR TRANSIT AGENCIES)	MPO Aprv: State Aprv: Federal Aprv: EPA TABLE II or III EXEMPT CATEGORY Transit operating assistance.
CT PROJECT ID:			MPO ID.: KER180801		
COUNTY: Kern County	ROUTE:		PM:		

IMPLEMENTING AGENCY: Various Agencies
PROJECT MANAGER:

PHONE:

EMAIL:

PROJECT VERSION HISTORY (Printed Version is Shaded)

(Dollars in whole)

Version	Status	Date	Updated By	Change Reason	Amend No.	Prog Con	Prog RW	PE
11	Active	06/06/2024	CVALLE	Amendment - Cost/Scope/Sch. Change	16	51,820,899		
10	Official	06/08/2023	RPACHECO	Amendment - Cost/Scope/Sch. Change	6	50,161,824		
9	Official	03/21/2023	RPACHECO	Amendment - Cost/Scope/Sch. Change	5	47,849,004		
8	Official	07/21/2022	RPACHECO	Adoption - Carry Over	0	47,186,004		
7	Official	07/27/2022	RPACHECO	Amendment - Cost/Scope/Sch. Change	15	60,770,064		
6	Official	04/21/2022	RPACHECO	Amendment - Cost/Scope/Sch. Change	11	58,952,436		
5	Official	05/24/2021	RPACHECO	Amendment - Cost/Scope/Sch. Change	2	28,867,078		
4	Official	02/18/2021	RPACHECO	Adoption - Carry Over	0	11,446,150		
3	Official	03/02/2020	RPACHECO	Amendment - Cost/Scope/Sch. Change	10	25,532,270		

* FTA Funds -		<u>PRIOR</u>	<u>22-23</u>	<u>23-24</u>	<u>24-25</u>	<u>25-26</u>	<u>26-27</u>	<u>27-28</u>	<u>BEYOND</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	PE									
* Fund Source 1 of 5	RW									
* Fund Type: FTA 5311 - Non Urbanized	CON	1,642,208	2,156,216	1,810,787						5,609,211
* Funding Agency:	Total:	1,642,208	2,156,216	1,810,787						5,609,211

* Local Funds -		<u>PRIOR</u>	<u>22-23</u>	<u>23-24</u>	<u>24-25</u>	<u>25-26</u>	<u>26-27</u>	<u>27-28</u>	<u>BEYOND</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	PE									
* Fund Source 2 of 5	RW									
* Fund Type: Local Transportation Funds	CON	15,496,720	12,887,856	14,503,292						42,887,868
* Funding Agency:	Total:	15,496,720	12,887,856	14,503,292						42,887,868

* FTA Funds -		<u>PRIOR</u>	<u>22-23</u>	<u>23-24</u>	<u>24-25</u>	<u>25-26</u>	<u>26-27</u>	<u>27-28</u>	<u>BEYOND</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	PE									
* Fund Source 3 of 5	RW									
* Fund Type: Intercity Bus - 5311-F	CON	300,000	300,000	300,000						900,000
* Funding Agency:	Total:	300,000	300,000	300,000						900,000

* Local Funds -		<u>PRIOR</u>	<u>22-23</u>	<u>23-24</u>	<u>24-25</u>	<u>25-26</u>	<u>26-27</u>	<u>27-28</u>	<u>BEYOND</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	PE									
* Fund Source 4 of 5	RW									
* Fund Type: Fare Revenues	CON		111,000							111,000
* Funding Agency:	Total:		111,000							111,000

* FTA Funds -		<u>PRIOR</u>	<u>22-23</u>	<u>23-24</u>	<u>24-25</u>	<u>25-26</u>	<u>26-27</u>	<u>27-28</u>	<u>BEYOND</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	PE									
* Fund Source 5 of 5	RW									
* Fund Type: FTA5307 - Urbanized Area Formula Program	CON		2,312,820							2,312,820
* Funding Agency:	Total:		2,312,820							2,312,820

Project Total:		<u>PRIOR</u>	<u>22-23</u>	<u>23-24</u>	<u>24-25</u>	<u>25-26</u>	<u>26-27</u>	<u>27-28</u>	<u>BEYOND</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	PE									
	RW									
	CON	17,438,928	15,455,072	18,926,899						51,820,899
	Total:	17,438,928	15,455,072	18,926,899						51,820,899

**Kern Council of Governments - Federal Transportation Improvement Program
(Dollars in Whole)
Transit System**

Comments:

***** Version 11 - 05/24/2024 *****

Per Kern COG 5/16/24 Board mtg FTA Section 5311 POP; Remove \$345,429 FTA 5311, \$300,000 FTA 5311(f), and \$1,704,504 Local FY 23/24

RTP Reference: 2022 RTP p.5-4

Prior Yr Status: ---

Total Project Cost: ---

***** Version 10 - 06/05/2023 *****

Per 5/22/23 Delano letter: Add \$2,312,820 FTA Section 5307 FY 23/24

RTP Reference: 2022 RTP p.5-4

Prior Yr Status: ---

Total Project Cost: ---

***** Version 9 - 03/07/2023 *****

Per 3/7/23 Kern County letter: add \$300,000 FTA Section 5311f, \$252,000 local, and \$111,000 fare revenue in FY 22/23; revise group listing

RTP Reference: 2022 RTP p.5-4

Prior Yr Status: ---

Total Project Cost: ---

***** Version 1 - 02/01/22 *****

Project data transfered from 2020 FTIP.

RTP Reference: 2022 RTP p.5-4

Prior Yr Status: ---

Total Project Cost: ---

***** Version 5 - 05/05/2021 *****

Per Kern COG 4/15/21 Board mtg FTA Section 5311 POP and FTA Section 5311(f); Add \$1,624,208 FTA 5311, \$300,000 5311(f), and \$15,496,720 Local FY 20/21

***** Version 1 - 08/17/20 *****

Project data transfered from 2018 FTIP.

RTP Reference: 2018 RTP p.5-4

Prior Yr Status: Project Completion Pending

Total Project Cost: ---

***** Version 3 - 02/12/2020 *****

Per Kern COG 2/20/20 Board mtg FTA Section 5311 POP; Add \$1,581,646 FTA 5311 and \$9,864,504 Local FY 19/20

***** DFTIP Version 1 - 09/06/2018*****

Reprogram 2017 FTIP project

***** Version 1 - 06/07/2018 *****

Per Kern COG 6/21/18 Board mtg FTA Section 5311 POP; Add \$1,496,694 FTA 5311 and \$12,589,426 Local FY 18/19

RTP reference: 2014 RTP page 5-4

Prior Year Status: ---

Future Cost Est: ---

Kern Council of Governments - Federal Transportation Improvement Program (Dollars in Whole) Transit System

DIST: 06	PPNO:	EA:	CTIPS ID: 204-0000-1018	TITLE (DESCRIPTION): GROUPED PROJECTS FOR PURCHASE OF NEW BUSES AND RAIL CARS TO REPLACE EXISTING VEHICLES OR FOR MINOR EXPANSION OF THE FLEET (PROJECTS ARE CONSISTEN WITH 40 CFR PART 93.126 EXEMPT TABLES 2 AND TABLE 3 CATEGORIES - PURCHASE OF NEW BUSES AND RAIL CARS TO REPLACE EXISTING VEHICLES OR FOR MINOR EXPANSIONS OF THE FLEET (toll credit \$218,678))	MPO Aprv: State Aprv: Federal Aprv:
CT PROJECT ID:			MPO ID.: KER240801		
COUNTY: Kern County	ROUTE:	PM:			EPA TABLE II or III EXEMPT CATEGORY Purchase new buses and rail cars to replace exist.

IMPLEMENTING AGENCY: Various Agencies
PROJECT MANAGER:

PHONE:

EMAIL:

PROJECT VERSION HISTORY (Printed Version is Shaded)

(Dollars in whole)

Version	Status	Date	Updated By	Change Reason	Amend No.	Prog Con	Prog RW	PE
2	Active	06/06/2024	CVALLE	Amendment - Cost/Scope/Sch. Change	16	1,448,113		
1	Official	02/20/2024	RPACHECO	Amendment - New Project	12	1,093,392		

* FTA Funds -		<u>PRIOR</u>	<u>22-23</u>	<u>23-24</u>	<u>24-25</u>	<u>25-26</u>	<u>26-27</u>	<u>27-28</u>	<u>BEYOND</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
* Fund Source 1 of 3	PE									
* Fund Type: FTA 5310 Elderly & Disabilities	RW									
* Funding Agency:	CON			1,093,392						1,093,392
	Total:			1,093,392						1,093,392

* FTA Funds -		<u>PRIOR</u>	<u>22-23</u>	<u>23-24</u>	<u>24-25</u>	<u>25-26</u>	<u>26-27</u>	<u>27-28</u>	<u>BEYOND</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
* Fund Source 2 of 3	PE									
* Fund Type: FTA 5311 - Non Urbanized	RW									
* Funding Agency:	CON			314,034						314,034
	Total:			314,034						314,034

* Local Funds -		<u>PRIOR</u>	<u>22-23</u>	<u>23-24</u>	<u>24-25</u>	<u>25-26</u>	<u>26-27</u>	<u>27-28</u>	<u>BEYOND</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
* Fund Source 3 of 3	PE									
* Fund Type: Local Transportation Funds	RW									
* Funding Agency:	CON			40,687						40,687
	Total:			40,687						40,687

Project Total:		<u>PRIOR</u>	<u>22-23</u>	<u>23-24</u>	<u>24-25</u>	<u>25-26</u>	<u>26-27</u>	<u>27-28</u>	<u>BEYOND</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
	PE									
	RW									
	CON			1,448,113						1,448,113
	Total:			1,448,113						1,448,113

Comments:

***** Version 2 - 05/23/2024 *****

Per 5/16/24 FTA Section 5311 POP; Add \$314,034 FTA 5311 and \$40,687 local FY23/24

RTP Reference: 2022 RTP p.5-4

Prior Yr Status: ---

Total Project Cost: ---

***** Version 1 - 02/01/2024 *****

Per 1/5/24 Large Urbanized Areas project listing

RTP Reference: 2022 RTP p.5-4

Prior Yr Status: ---

Total Project Cost: ---

2023 Federal Transportation Improvement Program

Grouped Project Listings

Kern Council of Governments

Includes:
Transit Program

Note: Listing is available on the Kern COG website at
<https://www.kerncog.org/category/docs/ftip/>

Grouping Category: Transit Program

Project Title: Grouped Project for Operating Assistance to Transit Agencies

PROJECTS CONSISTENT WITH 40 CFR PART 93.126 EXEMPT TABLE 2 CATEGORY - OPERATING ASSISTANCE FOR TRANSIT AGENCIES

PIN	Agency	Fed ID	Project Description	Program Year (FFY)	5311 Funds	5311(f) Funds	5307 Funds	State/ Local Funds	Fare Revenue	Total Project Cost
KER180801	Arvin		Operating Assistance	prior year	\$76,034	\$0	\$0	\$607,835	\$0	\$683,869
				22/23	\$99,833	\$0	\$0	\$750,000	\$0	\$849,833
				23/24	\$118,415	\$0	\$0	\$850,000	\$0	\$968,415
	California City			prior year	\$51,237	\$0	\$0	\$516,234	\$0	\$567,471
				22/23	\$67,274	\$0	\$0	\$166,026	\$0	\$233,300
				23/24	\$90,015	\$0	\$0	\$127,317	\$0	\$217,332
	Delano			23/24	\$0	\$0	\$2,312,820	\$0	\$0	\$2,312,820
	McFarland			prior year	\$53,536	\$0	\$0	\$177,962	\$0	\$231,498
				22/23	\$70,292	\$0	\$0	\$218,208	\$0	\$288,500
				23/24	\$83,464	\$0	\$0	\$171,498	\$0	\$254,962
	Ridgecrest			prior year	\$101,817	\$0	\$0	\$1,126,813	\$0	\$1,228,630
				22/23	\$133,685	\$0	\$0	\$495,000	\$0	\$628,685
				23/24	\$169,289	\$0	\$0	\$1,300,000	\$0	\$1,469,289
	Shafter			prior year	\$67,823	\$0	\$0	\$305,396	\$0	\$373,219
				22/23	\$89,052	\$0	\$0	\$104,583	\$0	\$193,635
				23/24	\$129,421	\$0	\$0	\$311,559	\$0	\$440,980

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Project Title: Grouped Project for Operating Assistance to Transit Agencies

PIN	Agency	Fed ID	Project Description	Program Year (FFY)	5311 Funds	5311(f) Funds	5307 Funds	State/ Local Funds	Fare Revenue	Total Project Cost
KER180801	Taft		Operating Assistance	prior year	\$34,159	\$0	\$0	\$572,344	\$0	\$606,503
				22/23	\$44,849	\$0	\$0	\$572,511	\$0	\$617,360
				23/24	\$42,345	\$0	\$0	\$118,457	\$0	\$160,802
	Tehachapi			prior year	\$44,175	\$0	\$0	\$259,514	\$0	\$303,689
				22/23	\$58,002	\$0	\$0	\$264,656	\$0	\$322,658
				23/24	\$72,609	\$0	\$0	\$204,227	\$0	\$276,836
	Wasco			prior year	\$96,890	\$0	\$0	\$406,075	\$0	\$502,965
				22/23	\$127,217	\$0	\$0	\$381,571	\$0	\$508,788
				23/24	\$161,622	\$0	\$0	\$586,760	\$0	\$748,382
	Kern County			prior year	\$1,116,537	\$300,000	\$0	\$11,524,547	\$0	\$12,941,084
				22/23	\$1,466,012	\$300,000	\$0	\$9,935,301	\$111,000	\$11,812,313
				23/24	\$943,607	\$300,000	\$0	\$10,833,474	\$0	\$12,077,081

Grouping Category: Transit Program

Project Title: Grouped Projects for Purchase of New Buses and Rail Cars to Replace Existing Vehicles or for Minor Expansion of the Fleet

PROJECTS ARE CONSISTENT WITH 40 CFR PART 93.126 EXEMPT TABLE 2 AND TABLE 3 CATEGORIES - PURCHASE OF NEW BUSES AND RAIL CARS TO REPLACE EXISTING VEHICLES OR FOR MINOR EXPANSIONS OF THE FLEET

PIN	Agency	Fed ID	Project Description	Program Year (FFY)	5310 Funds	5311 Funds	State/ Local Funds	Total Project Cost
KER240801	ARC of Bakersfield		Two Replacement Medium Buses	23/24	\$295,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,093,392
			Four Replacement Full Sized Vans	23/24	\$438,000	\$0	\$0	
	New Advances for People with Disabilities		One Replacement Small Bus	23/24	\$141,392	\$0	\$0	
			Two Replacement Full Sized Vans	23/24	\$219,000	\$0	\$0	
	Delano		Four Replacement DAR Vans	23/24	\$0	\$314,034	\$40,687	\$354,721