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Phoenix Non-attainment Area

Western Pinal County Non-attainment Area

Maricopa Association of Governments

Sun Corridor Metropolitan Planning Organization

Conformity Finding

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Dear Mr. Anderson:

Dear Ms. Higgs:

In accordance with the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990, a conformity finding of the transportation plans and programs in a non-attainment area is required of the U.S. Department of Transportation. Based on our evaluation of the findings of conformity and related documentation submitted in Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) February 26, 2020 email and Sun Corridor Metropolitan Planning Organizations (SCMPO) March 11, 2020 letter, in coordination with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the State Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration have determined that the Phoenix, Arizona and the Casa Grande, Arizona urbanized areas have met the requirements of the EPA Transportation Conformity Rule (40 CFR Parts 51 and 93). This includes the West Pinal PM-10 and West Central Pinal PM-2.5 non-attainment areas, portions of which are located in each of the respective MPO Planning Area Boundaries as well as the Maricopa non-attainment and maintenance areas.

A Finding of Conformity is hereby made with respect to the FY 2020-2024 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and 2040 Regional Transportation Plan Update as approved by MAG Regional Council on February 26, 2020 and the FY 2020-2029 SCMPO TIP and 2040 Regional Transportation Plan Update as approved by SCMPO Executive Board on March 10, 2020.

A Finding of Conformity was made previously on the MAG 2040 Regional Transportation Plan and FY 2018-2022 TIP on October 1, 2019. The previous conformity finding for the SCMPO FY2016-2025 TIP and 2040 RTP was made on August 1, 2019.

This conformity determination is in effect until such time as a new determination is required either by new regulatory requirements, major revision of transportation plans, or a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision.

If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact Mr. Ed Stillings of FHWA Arizona Division at (602) 382-8966 or ed.stillings@dot.gov; or Ms. Dominique Kraft of FTA Region IX at (415) 734-9469 or dominique.kraft@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

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