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FHWA CA Division
Attn: Steve Pyburn
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**Subject: SPECIAL EXPERIMENTAL PROJECT NO. 14
PILOT PROGRAM FOR LOCAL HIRING INCENTIVE**

Dear Mr. Pyburn:

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is submitting the Interstate 5 (I-5) pavement rehabilitation project for the Federal Highways Administration (FHWA) Local Labor Hiring Pilot Program. The project is located in the cities of Commerce and Los Angeles, California from the I-5/I-710 Separation to the Main Street Undercrossing (LA-5-13.8/19.2). This letter certifies that the SEP-14 Workplan for this project is in compliance with Section 192 of the FY 2016 Appropriations Act. This Act requires that all recipients requesting an SEP-14 work plan approval must provide a project-specific certification that conforms to Section 192 certification requirements in conjunction with their work plan.

In conformance with the Section 192 of the FY 2016 Appropriations Act, Caltrans certifies that the following three conditions have been satisfied for the I-5 pavement rehabilitation project in the cities of Commerce and Los Angeles, California from the I-5/I-710 Separation to the Main Street Undercrossing:

"SEC. 192. The Department of Transportation may use funds provided by this Act, or any other Act, to assist a contract under title 49 U.S.C. or title 23 U.S.C. utilizing geographic, economic, or any other hiring preference not otherwise authorized by law, except for such preferences authorized in this Act, or to amend a rule, regulation, policy or other measure that forbids a recipient of a Federal Highway Administration or Federal Transit Administration grant from imposing such hiring preference on a contract or construction project with which the Department of Transportation is assisting, only if the grant recipient certifies the following:

- (1) that except with respect to apprentices or trainees, a pool of readily available but unemployed individuals possessing the knowledge, skill, and ability to perform the work that the contract requires resides in the jurisdiction;

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- (2) that the grant recipient will include appropriate provisions in its bid document ensuring that the contractor does not displace any of its existing employees in order to satisfy such hiring preference; and
- (3) that any increase in the cost of labor, training, or delays resulting from the use of such hiring preference does not delay or displace any transportation project in the applicable Statewide Transportation Improvement Program or Transportation Improvement Program."

The attached SEP-14 Workplan has been coordinated with FHWA staff. Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Andy Alvarado, Chief, Office of Contract Administration and Risk Management, at andy.alvarado@dot.ca.gov or at (916) 653-8633, or Perry Mayer, Office of Contract Administration and Risk Management at perry.mayer@dot.ca.gov or at (916) 653-2032.

Sincerely,

/S/

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