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Mr. Anderson,
Commissioner
Department of Transportation and Public Facilities
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Dear Mr. Anderson:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have received the Anchorage Air Quality Conformity Analysis the FY2023 – 2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Anchorage is a CO maintenance area with an approved Limited Maintenance Plan (LMP). Anchorage has not had a violation of the CO national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) since 1996. Under the limited maintenance plan, there is no emissions budget. In order to qualify for the LMP, the Anchorage CO design value must be less than 85% of the NAAQS exceedance level. Analysis of the Anchorage CO data demonstrates that Anchorage is in compliance with the eligibility criteria for its CO limited maintenance plan. Other requirements for the CO maintenance area are also met.

A portion of Eagle River is a PM-IO maintenance area with a Limited Maintenance Plan. The last violation of the PM-IO NAAQS occurred in 1987. The 5-year average Design Value concentration is required to be equal to or below 98 ug/m³. The 5-year average DV in Eagle River has met this requirement.

Interagency consultation confirmed that the projects contained in the FY2023 – 2026 TIP were either consistent with those contained in the 2040 MTP or were exempt from conformity under 40 CFR 93.126 and 93.127. Each of the criteria under 40 CFR 93.122(g)(1) is met, and the 2040 MTP regional emissions analysis was used for the conformity determination of the 2023 – 2026 TIP.

The FHWA and FTA approve the conformity determination for the AMATS FY2023 – 2026 TIP. If you have any questions, please contact Kathryn Wenger, FHWA Community Planner (907) 586-7428, or Mr. Ned Conroy, FTA Community Planner at (206) 220-4318.

Sincerely,

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