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**Subject: FY2018-2021 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Approval**

Dear Mr. Bhatt:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Colorado Division and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Region 8 find that the Colorado STIP for State Fiscal Years (SFYs) 2018-2021, which incorporates the Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) of the five Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), substantially meets the requirements of 23 U.S.C. 135 and 134, 49 U.S.C. 5304, and 23 CFR Part 450.

The TIPs from the Pikes Peak Council of Governments (PPACG) and the North Front Range MPO (NFRMPO) cover less fiscal years than the STIP at the time of this approval. Only projects identified in the fiscal years below can be obligated and/or authorized. Any changes to the TIPs must be incorporated into the STIP through the amendment process.

<u>CDOT STIP</u>	<u>SFY 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021</u>
Denver Regional COG	SFY 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021
Grand Valley MPO	SFY 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021
Pueblo Area COG	SFY 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021
Pikes Peak Area COG	SFY 2018, 2019, 2020
North Front Range MPO	SFY 2018, 2019

The FHWA and the FTA jointly approve the CDOT 2018-2021 STIP; its effective date will be July 1, 2017 until June 30, 2021 or a subsequent revision replaces any or all of the identified years.

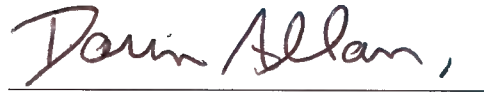
The approval of the STIP does not constitute an obligation of funds. Authorization to proceed on individual projects will be in accordance with existing procedures as established among FHWA, FTA, CDOT, and local governments. The details of FHWA's and FTA's joint Planning Finding of the Statewide transportation planning processes used to develop the STIP, as required by 23 CFR 450.220(b), will be issued in July 2017.

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