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Mr. John Njord
Executive Director
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Dear Mr. Njord:

August 28, 2012

The Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC) at its August 23, 2012, meeting approved the 2013-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the Salt Lake City/ West Valley City and the Ogden/ Layton Urbanized Areas and the conformity finding for the TIP.


An analysis of the TIP completed by the WFRC staff shows that the 2013-2018 TIP conforms to the state air quality plans.

The TIP and the conformity analysis were both made available for public review and comment by the Wasatch Front Regional Council. During the public comment period, public meetings were held at the Ogden Union Station for the Ogden/ Layton Urban Area and at the Gateway Intermodal Center for the Salt Lake City/ West Valley City Urban Area.

A copy of the 2013-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) project tables, the Resolution approving the 2013-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), public comments and responses, and the conformity finding for the TIP are enclosed. We are requesting your approval of the 2013-2018 TIP and that the Transportation Commission include it in the 2013-2018 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

Thank you for the productive coordination we are able to achieve together. If you have any questions, please call us.

Sincerely,



Andrew S. Gruber
Executive Director

ASG/bw

Enc.:

- 2013-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Project Tables
- Resolution approving the 2013-2018 TIP
- Public comments and responses on the 2013-2018 TIP
- Conformity finding for the 2013-2018 TIP

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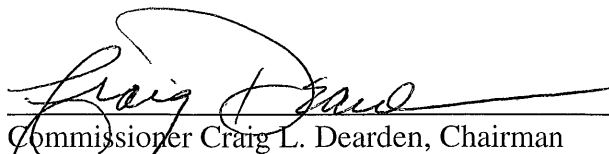
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**RESOLUTION OF THE WASATCH FRONT REGIONAL COUNCIL
APPROVING THE 2013 - 2018
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

- WHEREAS, the Wasatch Front Regional Council is the officially designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Salt Lake City/ West Valley City and the Ogden/ Layton Urbanized Areas and, as such, has the responsibility for developing a Transportation Improvement Program, and
- WHEREAS, the Transportation Coordinating Committee is a policy advisory committee of the Regional Council, and
- WHEREAS, a Transportation Improvement Program is to include all federally funded highway and transit projects scheduled for the next six years, and
- WHEREAS, the Utah Department of Transportation and State Transportation Commission, the Utah Transit Authority, and the Wasatch Front Regional Council and its local jurisdictions desire to approve the 2013-2018 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and
- WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation Metropolitan Planning Regulations Paragraph 450.324(a) requires that “the TIP . . . be updated at least every four years, and be approved by the MPO and the Governor,” and
- WHEREAS, the Statewide Air Quality Implementation Plan includes traffic control measures for reducing air pollutant emissions for the Salt Lake City/ West Valley City and Ogden/ Layton Areas and budgets for mobile source emissions, and
- WHEREAS, the WFRC has found that the proposed Transportation Improvement Program projects conform to and are consistent with the State Implementation Plan;

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the Transportation Coordinating Committee and the Wasatch Front Regional Council

- (1) Approve the 2013-2018 Transportation Improvement Program,
- (2) Find that the TIP conforms to and is consistent with the State Implementation Plan for Salt Lake, Davis, and Weber Counties, and
- (3) Find that the development of the Transportation Improvement Program is based on a currently certified transportation planning process.



Commissioner Craig L. Dearden, Chairman
Wasatch Front Regional Council



Andrew S. Gruber, Executive Director
Wasatch Front Regional Council

August 23, 2012
Date