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In Reply Refer To:
TRAP 19-4

Dear Mr. Campbell:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) have received the FMATS Air Quality Conformity Analysis for the FMATS 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) – *Fairbanks Metro 2040: A Roadmap to 2040*.

Fairbanks is designated a CO maintenance area with an approved Limited Maintenance Plan (LMP). Although a regional emissions test is not required since a LMP is in place, regional CO emissions were estimated for informational purposes to verify the 2040 MTP is consistent with the LMP. Fairbanks was designated nonattainment for PM_{2.5} effective December 14, 2009. At the time of development of the 2040 MTP, the area did not have an approved air quality plan or emission budget. Conformity was demonstrated by the “no-greater-than-2008 emissions” test for PM_{2.5} (and precursor NO_x emissions) using EPA’s MOVES2010b vehicle emissions model. FMATS also met all consultation and public involvement requirements per the transportation conformity rule 40 CFR 93.105.

Therefore, FHWA and FTA approve the conformity determination for the FMATS 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. John Lohrey, FHWA Statewide Programs Team Leader at (907) 586-7428, or Mr. Ned Conroy, FTA Community Planner at (206) 220-4318.

Sincerely,



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