March 9, 2010

Joel Szabat  
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Dear Mr. Szabat:

Secretary of Transportation LaHood’s letter of February 9, 2010, asks States to review their current Maintenance of Effort (MOE) certifications and submit a further amended MOE if corrective action is needed. In reviewing Oregon’s current MOE certification, a number of corrections have been identified. Planned expenditures for projects eligible for assistance under “Highway Infrastructure Investment” did not include State funds made available to local jurisdictions. In addition, errors were found in the determination of planned expenditures of State funds for projects eligible for assistance under “Transit Capital Assistance,” “Grants-in-Aid for Airports” and “Capital Assistance for High Speed Rail Corridors and Intercity Passenger Rail Service.”

Pursuant to Title XII, section 1201 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act [Pub. L. 111-5 (Feb. 17, 2009)] (ARRA), I, Theodore R. Kulongoski, the Governor of the State of Oregon, hereby certify to the Secretary of Transportation that the State of Oregon will maintain its effort with regard to State funding for the types of projects in U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) “covered programs” funded under ARRA. The enclosed list of DOT covered programs identifies the amount of funds the State plans to expend from State sources from February 17, 2009, to September 30, 2010, for projects under the DOT covered programs funded under ARRA. The enclosed list presents the corrected State expenditures for types of projects funded under DOT covered programs.
I understand that if the State of Oregon is unable to maintain the level of funding identified in this list of the types of projects under the DOT covered programs funded under ARRA, the State of Oregon will thereafter be prohibited by the Secretary of Transportation from receiving additional limitation on obligations for Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs that occurs after August 1 for fiscal year 2011.

Sincerely,

THEODORE R. KULONGOSKI
Governor

Signed this 9th day of March 2010

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Attachment

cc: Jacob Falk, Office of the Secretary
    Frank SanMartin, Federal Aviation Administration
    David Winter, Federal highway Administration
    Mary Martha Churchman, Federal Transit Administration
    Marty Eble, Federal Railroad Administration
LIST OF DOT COVERED PROGRAMS UNDER ARRA AND THE SPECIFIC OREGON FUNDING AMOUNTS FOR THE TYPES OF PROJECTS UNDER THE DOT COVERED PROGRAMS

The following list presents estimates of Oregon expenditures of State funds for the types of projects in DOT “covered programs for the period February 17, 2009 through September 30, 2010. These estimates include planned bond expenditures for types of projects funded under DOT “covered programs” and are based on the best information available at this time.

- “Supplemental Discretionary Grants for a National Surface Transportation System” – Office of the Secretary of Transportation – $0.
- “Supplemental Funding for Facilities and Equipment” – Federal Aviation Administration – To the extent Oregon expends funds in this “covered program” category, it is included in the “Grants-in-Aid for Airports” category.
- “Grants-in-Aid for Airports” – Federal Aviation Administration – $13,224,982.
- “Capital Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation” – Federal Railroad Administration – $0.
- “Fixed Guideway Infrastructure Investment” – Federal Transit Administration – $0.
- “Capital Investment Grants” – Federal Transit Administration – $61,400,000.
- “Supplemental Grants for Assistance to Small Shipyards” – Maritime Administration – $0.