March 19, 2009

The Honorable Raymond H. LaHood
Secretary of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Certification pursuant to Section 1201(a) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am submitting this maintenance of effort certification as required by Section 1201(a) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Pub. L. 111-5 [February 17, 2009]) (ARRA) and in response to your letter sent to me on February 27, 2009. In preparing this certification, I have relied on U.S. Department of Transportation guidance and the sample certification form attached to your letter, as well as the text of the ARRA.

Pursuant to Title XII, section 1201(a) of the ARRA, I hereby certify to you that the state of Washington will maintain its effort regarding State funding for the types of projects defined in section 1201(d)(2) of the ARRA. The enclosed list identifies the amount of funds the state of Washington plans to expend from state sources between February 17, 2009, and September 30, 2010, for the types of projects that are funded by the ARRA appropriation.

Section 1201(b) of the ARRA indicates that if the state of Washington is unable to maintain the level of funding identified in the enclosed list, the Secretary of Transportation will thereafter prohibit the state of Washington from receiving additional limitation pursuant to the redistribution of the limitation on obligations for federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs that occur after August 1 for fiscal year 2011.
This certification accurately reflects the planned level of expenditure as of March 19, 2009. Like other Governors, my ability to maintain our planned level of expenditure is subject to appropriations from our State Legislature and available funding. I will continue to work with the Washington State Legislature to ensure we maintain our planned level of effort as required under ARRA.

Sincerely,

Christine O. Gregoire
Governor

Enclosure
Attachment to Certification of Funds under Section 1201

The following list is an estimate of Washington State expenditures under ARRA “covered programs.” These estimates represent the planned cash and bond state expenditures for types of projects under the ARRA “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 – To the extent that the state provides funding in this federal category, it is included in the “Highway Infrastructure Investment” category.

- “Supplemental Funding for Facilities and Equipment” – Federal Aviation Administration – Not applicable

- “Grants-in-Aid for Airports” – Federal Aviation Administration – $ 0.7 million

- “Highway Infrastructure Investment” – Federal Highway Administration – $ 1.87 billion

- “Capital Assistance for High Speed Rail Corridors and Intercity Passenger Rail Service” – Federal Railroad Administration - $ 74.4 million

- “Capital Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation” – Federal Railroad Administration – Not applicable

- “Transit Capital Assistance” – Federal Transit Administration – $ 27.5 million
  To the extent that the state provides funding in this federal category for Washington State Ferries, it is included in the “Highway Infrastructure Investment” category.

- “Fixed Guideway Infrastructure Investment” – Federal Transit Administration – To the extent that the state provides funding in this federal category, it is included in the “Transit Capital Assistance” category. To the extent that the state provides funding in this federal category for Washington State Ferries, it is included in the “Highway Infrastructure Investment” category.

- “Capital Investment Grants” – Federal Transit Administration – To the extent that the state provides funding in this federal category, it is included in the “Transit Capital Assistance” category.

- “Supplemental Grants for Assistance to Small Shipyards” – Maritime Administration – Not applicable