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Mr. John Haynes Research & Innovation Program Manager Federal Highway Administration – Utah Division 2520 West 4700 South, Suite 9A Salt Lake City, Utah 84129

RE: Pooled Fund 100 Percent SP&R-Subpart B Waiver Request – Solicitation # 1544 – Western Alliance for Quality Transportation Construction (WAQTC) 2021-2025

Dear Mr. Haynes:

With this letter the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) is requesting approval from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to establish a pooled fund study using 100 percent SP&R-Subpart B funding for solicitation # 1544 – Western Alliance for Quality Transportation Construction (WAQTC) 2021-2025. This project is a continuation of the current study number TPF-5(349), which we plan to close in 2021.

We estimate up to nine state DOTs and a few other agencies will participate in this project, with UDOT serving as the lead agency. We anticipate that some of the participating state DOTs will use SP&R-Subpart B funding. The amount of funding initially requested to complete the project is \$240,000, which we expect will come from pooled fund partners.

Your approval to establish this pooled fund study at 100 percent SP&R-Subpart B funding, while waiving the non-Federal funds match requirement, would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 801-589-8340 or davidstevens@utah.gov.

Sincerely,

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Pooled Fund Research Manager

CC: Cameron Kergaye, UDOT Research & Innovation Director