

Wyoming Division

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Mr. Luke Reiner Director Wyoming Department of Transportation 5300 Bishop Boulevard Cheyenne, WY 82009-3340

SUBJECT: Approval: FY2020 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for the Casper Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)

Dear Mr. Reiner:

The Casper Area MPO Policy Committee has approved its UPWP for FY2020 (October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020) and authorized its submittal to the Wyoming Department of Transportation (WYDOT). Your Planning Staff has reviewed the UPWP and finds that it is substantially in compliance with the applicable Federal directives. After reviewing the document, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) concur.

As requested, the UPWP is approved. This approval was accomplished for both Federal agencies using the procedures of the Consolidated Planning Grant agreement between the FHWA, Wyoming Division and the FTA, Region 8 Office, executed on July 25, 2019.

This authorization is subject to the availability of funds. FHWA Planning and Research funds shall be administered in accordance with the provisions of 49 CFR and 23 CFR Part 420. All work program activities must be eligible under 23 U.S.C. 134, 135, 505 or 49 U.S.C. 5303-5305,5313(b) and the provision of 23 CFR 420 and 23 CFR 450. Annual progress and financial summaries shall be submitted within 90 days after the end of the report period, in accordance with 23 CFR 420.117(c).

We recommend that the MPO continue to develop and implement a performance management approach to transportation planning and programming that supports the achievement of transportation system performance outcomes, as articulated in the MPO Transportation Plan. The Casper Area MPO will be required to develop a systems performance report as part of the update to the Casper Area MPO Long Range Transportation plan, describing the progress achieved by the MPO in meeting the established performance targets.

As a recipient of FTA's Urbanized Area Formula funds, the Casper Area MPO will need to develop and adopt their Public Transportation Safety Plan with targets by December 20, 2020.

The UPWP should include all planning activities that may be funded with non-Consolidated Planning Grant funds. The cooperation between your staff and the Casper Area MPO's staff provides a planning document that will guide the transportation planning activities to be undertaken in the Casper metropolitan area during the fiscal year.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 307-771-2941 or email walter.satterfield@dot.gov.

Sincerely yours,

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