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Section 8 – Certification and Federal-Aid Project Oversight

Authorization of Work and Obligation of Federal Funds

MoDOT will not submit requests for the authorization of work and obligation of federal funds on any federal-aid construction project until the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) approval process has been completed, right of way, utility, and railroad clearance has been approved, and the project for which federal funds are being requested is listed in MoDOT Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, and, if necessary, in the appropriate Metropolitan Planning Organization's Transportation Improvement Program.

Other Oversight Agreement Provisions

This agreement is made with the following understandings.

- MoDOT will administer all projects previously authorized prior to the effective date of this agreement under Certification Acceptance as though the projects were authorized under the provisions of this agreement.
- All non-Title 23 U.S.C. requirements will continue to be subject to Federal Highway Administration project review, oversight, and approval.
- All projects on the National Highway System (interstate and non-interstate) will conform to MoDOT adopted design and construction standards as approved by the Federal Highway Administration. Amendments or revisions to these standards are subject to the Federal Highway Administration review and approval.
- All non-National Highway System projects shall be designed, constructed, operated and maintained in accordance with state laws; regulations; directives and safety, design and construction standards.
- Federal Highway Administration will complete a final inspection and final acceptance on the Federal Highway Administration full-oversight projects. MoDOT assumes this responsibility for all other projects. MoDOT will take action to close projects in a timely manner.
- This agreement does not preclude the Federal Highway Administration from observing a federal-aid highway project under MoDOT responsibility, including those under a local public agency agreement, should the project contain unique features, if unusual circumstances arise, or should such projects be party to inclusion in joint agency MoDOT Quality Assurance Reviews or Federal Highway Administration Process Review and Evaluations.

- Federal Highway Administration and MoDOT enter into this agreement to conduct project oversight activities in accordance with the above stipulated agreement provisions. The effectiveness of these oversight responsibilities will be evaluated periodically and adjustments made upon mutual agreement.

Certification

It is hereby certified that MoDOT will follow all federal and state laws, regulations and directives for the design, construction, operation and maintenance of all federal-aid projects.

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