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**Subject: Oregon Department of Transportation Public Transportation Division  
Hood River Park and Ride Facility Construction Project  
National Environmental Policy Act  
Categorical Exclusion Confirmation**

Dear Ms. Carlson,

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) has reviewed the materials submitted by e-mail on October 11, 2023, through April 04, 2024, including an FTA Categorical Exclusion Worksheet and supporting documentation describing the proposed Oregon Department of Transportation – Hood River Park and Ride Facility Construction Project (Project) in Hood River, Oregon. FTA understands that the Project would acquire property on which to construct a park and ride facility with approximately 30 parking spaces, and would redevelop the existing park and ride lot into a bus storage and maintenance facility that can accommodate large vehicles and electric charging infrastructure.

Under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (Section 106), and pursuant to 36 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 800, FTA consulted with the Oregon State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO). On April 23, 2024, in correspondence to SHPO, FTA determined that the Project would have no effect on historic properties. SHPO concurred with this determination on April 24, 2024.

This e-mail confirms that FTA has determined that the Project will not result in significant environmental effects, and qualifies as a Categorical Exclusion (CE) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) pursuant to 23 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part

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771.118(d). This determination of CE applies only to the Project as described above and in the documentation submitted to FTA on October 11, 2023, through April 04, 2024, and is conditioned on the implementation of an archaeological inadvertent discovery and monitoring plan during construction activities. Should the Project scope change or new information on the Project or its potential environmental effects be provided, FTA may require a re-evaluation of the NEPA determination and may withdraw or suspend the CE or require additional environmental reviews.

This confirmation is not an expressed or implied promise that Federal financial assistance for the Project will be awarded. Please contact Barney Remington at [Barney.Remington@dot.gov](mailto:Barney.Remington@dot.gov) if you have questions.

Thank you for coordinating with FTA.

Sincerely,

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