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Mr. Dat Huynh, P.E.
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Dear Mr. Dat Huynh:

The following is in response to Florida Department of Transportation's (FDOT's) May 3, 2024, transmittal of the Final Fiscal Year (FY) 2024/25 - 2025/26 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). The UPWP was developed and adopted by the Miami-Dade Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) in coordination with FDOT, the local transit service provider, and other area planning process participants.

Upon our review of the Final UPWP, we have determined that our critical comments on the draft UPWP have been addressed and the document satisfies the requirements of 23 United States Code (U.S.C.) 134, 49 U.S.C. 5303, 23 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 420, 49 CFR Part 18 and other pertinent legislation, regulations, and policies.

As delegated in the June 14, 2022, Memorandum of Agreement between the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Florida Division and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Region IV for Administration of Transportation Planning and Programming, the FHWA approves the MPO's FY 2024/25 -2025/26 UPWP submitted by your office.

The FDOT uses a Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG) comprised of FHWA Planning (PL) funds and 5305(d) FTA funds with this new UPWP. The FHWA PL funds being requested in the UPWP includes the FTA 5305(d) funds transferred to FHWA. The two-year UPWP reflects Planning (PL) and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG-SU) as follows:

	FY 24/25	FY 25/26
• PL	\$6,114,465	\$5,632,028
• STBG-SU	\$3,390,000	\$3,000,000
• Additional SU	\$100,000	\$0

The following caveats apply to the authorization of these funds:

- The funds for FY 2024/25 may not be expended until July 1, 2024, after an authorization is approved (funds are obligated) in the Fiscal Management Information System (FMIS), with the full FY 2024/25 amount available October 1, 2024, after the additional funding authorization is approved.
- The \$100,000 of Additional SU requested will be programmed and authorized after July 1, 2024.
- FDOT's "80/20 Rule" applies and FDOT procedures may affect the timing of the authorization of the STBG-SU funds.
- The funds for FY 2025/26 will not be available for use until July 1, 2025, with the full FY 2025/26 amount available October 1, 2025. The programmed funds may need to be adjusted in the UPWP and in FMIS prior to this date to accurately reflect the federal funds available to the MPO at that time.

Expenditure invoicing and progress reports shall be submitted quarterly, with copies furnished to the FHWA. Expenditures incurred without prior authorization will not be reimbursed.

As a reminder for the current UPWP, close-out of the UPWP's federal funds shall occur 90 days after the end of FY 2023/24 state fiscal year (by September 30, 2024). **Any exception to this timeframe must have prior approval by the FHWA.**

We appreciate your staff's efforts in the development and review of this MPO's UPWP. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Erika Thompson by email at erika.thompson@dot.gov or by telephone at (850) 553-2223 or Carlos A. Gonzalez by email at carlos.a.gonzalez@dot.gov or by telephone at (850) 553-2221.

Sincerely,

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