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Mr. Louis A. Atwell
Public Works Director
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One Manchester Boulevard
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Re: Environmental Determination for the
Inglewood Transit Connector

Dear Mr. Atwell,

The Federal Transit Administration has completed its review of the June 2, 2023 letter from the City of Inglewood (City) and supporting documentation for an environmental re-evaluation. The project changes include:

1. Relocation of the Maintenance and Storage Facility (MSF) on 500 E. Manchester Boulevard to the Market Street/Florence Avenue Station;
2. Guideway transitioning from single columns to a one-half straddle bent onto Manchester Boulevard, then returning to single columns in a new median located in Manchester Boulevard;
3. A 12-foot shift along the alignment of the guideway on Market Street between E. Regent Street and E. Manchester Boulevard; the bottom elevation of the guideway along this segment of the alignment would be reduced by approximately 9 to 12 feet;
4. Relocation of the first Power Distribution System (PDS) substation to the Market Street/Florence Avenue Station with the new proposed MSF;
5. New Southern California Edison (SCE) substation at the Market Street/Florence Avenue Station-MSF site;
6. Surface parking lot located at the Market Street/Florence Avenue station would be reduced in size to accommodate the addition of the MSF to this site (approximately 225 parking spaces instead of 650 stalls)

The Project was previously the subject of a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) dated March 16, 2023. In its letter, the City indicated that neither the preparation of a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) nor an Environmental Assessment (EA) is necessary, in accordance with 23 CFR §§ 771.115, 771.119, 771.129(c) and 771.130(c), for a design change for the Project.

Based on the environmental re-evaluation materials submitted and past experience with similar projects, this review finds that the design changes: do not induce significant environmental impacts to planned growth or land use for the area; do not require the relocation of significant numbers of people; do not have a significant impact on natural, cultural, recreational, historical or other resource; do not involve significant air, noise, or water quality impacts; do not have significant impacts on travel patterns; do not result in a use or constructive use of historic or other resources within the meaning of Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act, as codified in 49 USC §303; or do not otherwise, either individually or cumulatively, have any significant environmental impacts.

The FTA finds that the changes described in the re-evaluation materials are not substantial and that the changes will not cause significant environmental impacts that were not previously evaluated. Neither the preparation of a SEIS nor an EA is necessary.

If you have any questions about this review, please contact Mr. Mervin Acebo, Transportation Program Specialist at (213) 202-3957 or by email mervin.acebo@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

Ray Tellis
Regional Administrator