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I-10, Korsten Traffic Interchange  
Air Quality Conformity Determination

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Dear Mr. O'Brien:

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) received your request dated March 3, 2020, for a project-level air quality conformity determination for the Interstate 10 (I-10), Korsten Road Traffic Interchange project [CSG-0(207)T, 000 PN CSG T0164]. The purpose of the project is to construct a new interchange to improve mobility and connectivity along I-10 in Casa Grande. The recommended design concept for the project is a compressed diamond interchange with dual left turn lanes.

The project is located in the Sun Corridor Metropolitan Planning Organization (SCMPO) planning boundary, which is an area designated nonattainment for Particulate Matter (PM<sub>10</sub>). PM<sub>10</sub> is subject to project level conformity requirements under the National Ambient Air Quality Standards.

As stated in your letter the project is included in the regional conformity analysis for the SCMPO 2040 Regional Transportation Plan and FY2016-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) which was approved on October 1, 2019. On August 20, 2019, FHWA reviewed the initial project of air quality concern analysis and found it to be consistent with the guidance in 40 CFR 93.123. The March 3, 2020 submittal resolved our outstanding concerns about the documentation.

Based on our review of the air quality analysis and interagency consultation information provided by ADOT, regarding this project and the scope of work, FHWA is making the

determination that this project meets the air quality conformity requirements. If there are any questions on this determination, please contact Alan Hansen at 602-382-8964 or [alan.hansen@dot.gov](mailto:alan.hansen@dot.gov).

Sincerely,

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