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To: District Directors of Operations, District Directors of Transportation Development, District Directors of Transportation Support

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Subject: Local Agency Program (LAP) Functional Area Support

During a number of reviews, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has cited the lack of cross functional support for LAP as an area of concern. The reviews have consistently shown that the Districts with greater cross functional support have stronger LAP programs. LAP projects are a part of the Department’s Work Program and are Department projects, just as projects delivered by consultants or in-house forces. This bulletin is intended to reinforce the requirements of chapter 1.6 of the LAP Manual, requiring that the District LAP Administrator work closely with planning, project development, environmental, design, right of way, and construction staff in the Districts to obtain all approvals, assurances, and certifications required for those respective areas. In order to provide for consistent, predictable, and repeatable results to LAP internal and external customers, all functional areas will designate a primary point of contact for LAP approvals, reviews, and certifications.

If you have any questions, please contact Roosevelt Petithomme at 850-414-4383 or Bob Crim at 850-414-4782.

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