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Robert A. Crum, Jr.
Executive Director
Hampton Roads Planning District Commission &
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Re: 2021 HRPDC/HRTPO Title VI Compliance Review

Dear Mr. Crum:

This letter is in reference to *Hampton Roads Planning District Commission (HRPDC) and Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization's (HRTPO) 2021 Title VI compliance reviews* conducted by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT). The HRPDC/HRTPO is a recipient of Federal Highway Administration funding assistance and is therefore subject to a Title VI Program review.

The Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq., prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, and national origin in federally funded programs and activities. Title VI, in concert with other laws and regulations, prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, disabilities, sex, low-income and limited English proficiency by sub-recipients of federal assistance.

After reviewing all of the submitted materials, we have determined that there are NO CURRENT VIOLATIONS of Title VI or related laws and regulations. However, you are advised to proceed with updating the combined Public Participation Plan (PPP) as noted in your November 8, 2023, compliance review response. While both Boards endorsed the updated Title VI and Limited English Proficiency Plan (LEP) on October 19, 2023, VDOT formally approves of the submission effective the date of this letter. Lastly, the 2023 Accomplishment Report submitted satisfies the annual reporting requirement and provides an overview of the HRPDC/HRTPO's significant progress in implementing the requirements of the Title VI Program, including the 2024 program goals.

VDOT recognizes the efforts made and cooperation demonstrated by the entire team to bring HRPDC/HRTPO's programs into compliance.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me at (757)956-3300 or Corina Herrera, Title VI Specialist, at (804)786-2730.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Queen T. Crittendon", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Queen T. Crittendon
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