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Mr. Keith Martin  
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Re: Categorical Exclusion Determination for Real  
Property Acquisition

Dear Mr. Martin:

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) has completed its review of your May 6, 2021 letter and supporting documentation requesting an environmental determination for a protective acquisition of the real property located at 6035 Avondale Avenue, Linda, California. Based on the information presented in your letter and the documentation you submitted, FTA has determined that the project qualifies as a categorical exclusion under 23 CFR Part 771.118(c)(6), *Acquisition or Transfer of the Interest in Real Property*.

*Acquisition or transfer of an interest in real property that is not within or adjacent to recognized environmentally sensitive areas (e.g., wetlands, non-urban parks, wildlife management areas) and does not result in a substantial change in the functional use of the property or in substantial displacements, such as: acquisition for scenic easements or historic sites for the purpose of preserving the site. This CE extends only to acquisitions and transfers that will not limit the evaluation of alternatives for future FTA-assisted projects that make use of the acquired or transferred property.*

The proposed project is for protective acquisition of real property located at 6035 Avondale Avenue, Linda, California. The site is an abandoned industrial site that was previously used as a log storage area for a sawmill operation, and it is currently vacant. The Yuba-Sutter Transit Authority has committed to leave the property vacant after the acquisition.

This review finds that the project: is not within or adjacent to recognized environmentally sensitive areas; does not result in a substantial change in the functional use of the property; or result in substantial displacements.

Please be advised that acquiring property pursuant to this categorical exclusion must not limit the evaluation of alternatives when the future FTA-assisted project is evaluated in the FTA environmental review process, which must allow for the possibility that the property will not be used for the project. Furthermore, acquiring the property must also comply with the Uniform Relocation Act requirements.

If you have any questions about this determination, please contact Ms. Jean Mazur, Transportation Program Specialist, at (415) 734-9456, or [jean.mazur@dot.gov](mailto:jean.mazur@dot.gov).

Sincerely,

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Regional Administrator