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MEMORANDUM

TO: Files

FROM: Joe W. Matlock, Transportation Planner, Region IV
NEPA Documentation Office

DATE: September 15, 2009

SUBJECT: Programmatic Categorical Exclusion Resurfacing
McLemore from Kentucky to Third, 0.7 mile
City of Memphis, Shelby County, Tennessee
PIN Number: 112848.00(08)

The City of Memphis has developed plans on the above federally funded project for the above subject project and submitted to The Tennessee Department of Transportation for environmental review.

The selected road segment has signs of excessive wear such as potholes and pavement surface spalling. Vehicle use, weathering, aging and in some cases utility cuts/repairs in the pavement are contributing factors to the deterioration. A new pavement surface with the absence of pavement deformations will provide safer routes for motorists and prolong the life of the roadway. In addition, the new pavement markings will be more visible which provides another level of safety, especially in the evenings and during rain events.

Base and subgrade repairs will be made as necessary prior to resurfacing and any pavement markings will be replaced. Low cost safety improvements such as delineation/removal of roadside obstacles, improved signage, guardrail terminals, ADA ramps, etc. will be evaluated for compliance with current regulations and if necessary, upgraded.

The Environmental Division has reviewed the proposed project for compliance with environmental laws and regulations. The project as proposed will not directly, indirectly or cumulatively have any significant environmental impacts. It is our determination that this project complies with the September 2007 Programmatic Categorical Exclusion agreement with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The attached file documents this finding.

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CC: TDOT HQ Staff
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