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**From:** Shelton, Paulette  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 22, 2015 9:59 PM  
**To:** melissa.foreman@dot.gov  
**Cc:** Donald.Koski@dot.gov; Cheryle.Tyson@dot.gov; Bune, Christina; Maldonado, Yvette  
**Subject:** Re: Environmental Concurrence for Transit Facility

Thanks so much Melissa !

Paulette

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 22, 2015, at 6:39 PM, "[melissa.foreman@dot.gov](mailto:melissa.foreman@dot.gov)" <[melissa.foreman@dot.gov](mailto:melissa.foreman@dot.gov)> wrote:

Hi Paulette,

FTA has determined the project qualifies as a listed CE, Type C-9. I recommend you use this email as documentation. I have copied the Planning Manager, Don Koski, on this email in case there is additional information I inadvertently left out of this communication.

Regards,

**Melissa Foreman**

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**From:** Shelton, Paulette [<mailto:Paulette.Shelton@fortbendcountytexas.gov>]  
**Sent:** Monday, September 14, 2015 9:37 AM  
**To:** Foreman, Melissa (FTA)  
**Cc:** Ramos, Roberto CTR (FTA); Koski, Donald (FTA); Tyson, Cheryle (FTA)  
**Subject:** RE: Environmental Concurrence for Transit Facility

Melissa,

Checking on the environmental again. Didn't receive anything last week.

Not sure what specifics are needed regarding the local funding so hopefully clarification will be with the concurrence. Local funding is from Bond proceeds. The bond project was for up to \$6,000,000 in local funding. We can provide court meeting minutes for the election and election results as well as a letter from our auditor. In regard to project activities, to date we have provided all information requested for the environmental concurrence as well as the advanced planning report. We already own the property. We've concluded the procurement process for design and pre-construction activities with the advanced planning/environmental work being a part of that procurement so receipt of the environmental concurrence will allow us to issue work authorization for final activities – surveys, appraisals, design, etc. These activities

are already in an existing 5307 grant so no LONP is needed for them. The LONP will be for construction management and construction activities. As requested, we will include this information in the LONP.

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**Subject:** RE: Environmental Concurrence for Transit Facility

Hi Paulette,

Consider this email as an “informal” finding of a “C-List 9 Categorical Exclusion” for the Fort Bend Transportation Administration and Operations Facility. When I return to the office next week, I can confer with Don and send a formal finding to you.

Additionally, please be sure to respond about “specifics about local funding of the project activities, as well as local approvals and support that the project activities are moving forward”. This information will also need to be in your LONP request letter to FTA.

Regards,  
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**To:** Foreman, Melissa (FTA)  
**Cc:** Ramos, Roberto CTR (FTA); Koski, Donald (FTA); Tyson, Cheryle (FTA)  
**Subject:** RE: Environmental Concurrence for Transit Facility

Melissa,

I’m following up on the environmental again – this is the one for our Transit Administration and Operations facility. The local project selection process will move to the “project readiness” consideration phase next week. It will make a significant point if we’re able to say we have the concurrence in hand. Is it possible to have it this week?

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**Subject:** RE: Environmental Concurrence for Transit Facility

Hi Paulette,

The FTA review of the environmental documentation has been concluded. At this time, I do not have the specific finding for you. Hopefully, I can provide that to you this week.

In the meantime, the LONP letter request you prepare for FTA must include specifics about local funding of the project activities, as well as local approvals and support that the project activities are moving forward. Additionally, you can also include the environmental language I hope to send you this week.

Regards,  
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**Sent:** Wednesday, August 19, 2015 5:18 PM  
**To:** Foreman, Melissa (FTA)  
**Cc:** Ramos, Roberto CTR (FTA); Koski, Donald (FTA); Tyson, Cheryle (FTA)  
**Subject:** RE: Environmental Concurrence for Transit Facility

That's a different project – the water issue is for the Westpark Park and Ride not the transit/admin facility. In regards to Westpark, we have had preliminary discussions with the MUD district regarding the partial where there is an issue but it has been the MUD district who has had discussions with that owner. There's another parcel that we've had initial discussion with the owner there but there isn't a concern with that owner.

The CE concurrence we are hoping to get is for our transit admin/ops facility in Rosenberg. No water problems there. We submitted it in February and submitted lots of follow up documents to ya'll all the way in to May. All indications were everything was there that was needed for the

determination – so as stated in my earlier email, we’re anxious to get that asap so we can move ahead with the project.

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Hi Paulette,

Cheryl informed me of the water access issue with this site last week.

It would be best if you can include this information in the CE so we can have as much current information possible.

First, has Fort Bend negotiated potential easements, or is Fort Bend in the process of negotiating the easement with the landowners?

Regards,

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OK – appreciate the efforts. Please let us know if there is anything else you need from us.

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**Subject:** RE: Environmental Concurrence for Transit Facility

Hi Paulette,

I am not able to get you a response at this time; however, I hope to have some information for you soon. I will try to have something for you by Friday afternoon, but cannot guarantee a response by that time.

Regards,

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Melissa –

Can you let me know the status of the environmental concurrence on our transit admin/ops facility. We are competing the project locally in the TIP call for projects, with final project selection getting very close – the next meeting is Friday and final recommendations will be in the next couple of weeks. It would really help if we were able to say we've received that – would appreciate the help !

Thanks

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