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Mr. Peter Alviti, Jr., P.E.
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Dear Director Alviti:

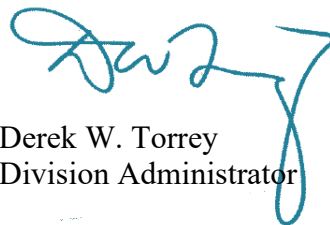
This letter is in response to the Rhode Island Department of Transportation's (RIDOT) February 16, 2024, request for concurrence on changes to the temporary configuration of travel lanes on I-195 in the vicinity of the Washington Bridge.

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Rhode Island Division has reviewed the materials submitted and concurs on the proposal to temporarily increase the number of travel lanes on the eastbound span of the Washington Bridge to a total of six lanes. The six lanes will consist of two 10-foot lanes and one 11-foot lane in each direction and are subject to implementation of the additional safety and operational stipulations noted in your request.

As safety is our top priority, please continue to work with the Division's Safety and Operations Engineer, Tim Thomson, to deploy signage and other traffic control measures that meet FHWA requirements.

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me or Tim Thomson, Safety and Operations Engineer, at (401) 528-4033 or Timothy.Thomson@dot.gov.

Sincerely,



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Division Administrator