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Dear Ms. Konove:

Under the provisions of Section 125, Title 23 of the United States Code, this is a Letter of Intent by the California Department of Transportation to request Emergency Relief (ER) funds to assist in the cost of repairing damages on Federal-aid highways in California caused by a magnitude 7.0 earthquake and aftershocks.

Beginning on December 5, 2024, and continuing aftershocks in the following days, earthquakes caused significant damage to infrastructure in De Norte, Humboldt, and Mendocino Counties. The earthquakes damaged roads, bridges, and buildings, including schools, and resulted in widespread evacuation orders, and caused widespread power outages.

The preliminary damage estimate information is being gathered by the State and Local agencies affected. Additional information will be provided with the subsequent ER Application under Disaster CA25-1 December 2024 Earthquake.

Under separate cover, the Office of Federal Resources will be submitting the ER Application, along with the Governor's Proclamation(s) and Damage Survey Summary Report, to provide the Division Administrator with a basis to make a finding that the disaster is eligible for ER funding.

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If you or your staff have any questions, please contact Dave Changizi, Division of Maintenance at (916) 997-0646, or myself at (279) 234-2578 or by e-mail at fardad.falakfarsa@dot.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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