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Washington, DC 20590

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Mr. Brett Reed
Road Maintenance Superintendent
Douglas County Road Department
1110 Airport Road
Minden, NV 89423

Dear Mr. Reed:

Thank you for your November 21, 2001, letter resubmitting your request to experiment with pedestrian countdown signals at one intersection in Douglas County. Due to mail quarantines here in Washington, DC, delivery of your letter was significantly delayed. We did not receive it until January 15. We have reviewed the material that was submitted in support of your request to experiment, and we concur with it, with the following exceptions:

- Please collect the before and after data on the same day(s) of the week and during the same hours of the day.
- For consistency with other experimentations with pedestrian countdown displays that are being conducted by other jurisdictions around the country, please set up the countdown equipment so that the countdown is only timed and displayed during the flashing Don't Walk indication, and not during the Walk indication.
- Also, please note that the Federal Highway Administration's Office of Transportation Operations retains the right to terminate approval of the experimentation at any time if there is an indication of safety concerns.

Your experimentation request is approved for a 2-year time period, subject to the three modifications outlined above. As noted in our previous letter, for future reference purposes, we have assigned the following official experimentation number and title to your request: 4-233(Ex)--"Pedestrian Countdown Signals--Douglas County." Please refer to this number in

future correspondence. We look forward to receiving notifications of implementation date, your semiannual progress reports and final report. If we can be of further assistance, please contact Mr. Scott Wainwright on 202-366-0857.

Sincerely yours,

Shelley J. Row, P.E.
Director, Office of Transportation
Operations