



BILL HASLAM
GOVERNOR
STATE OF TENNESSEE

December 17, 2014

Mr. Glenn Berry
Transportation Planning Coordinator
Johnson City Metropolitan Transportation Planning Organization
137 West Market Street
Johnson City, TN 37601

Dear Mr. Berry:

This is in regard to the recent Johnson City Metropolitan Planning Organization (MTPO) Executive Board's request to approve the Johnson City MTPO revised Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) Boundary based on the 2010 Census Urbanized Area (UZA).

Federal Transportation Planning Regulations require that the MPA boundary be determined by agreement between the MTPO and the Governor. The MPA boundary must include all areas that are included in the urbanized area in the most recent US Census, and may be established to coincide with the geography of regional economic development and growth forecasting areas.

After reviewing the request, I am hereby concurring with the Johnson City MTPO's Executive Board's desire to modify the MPA Boundary based on the 2010 Census UZA, and I applaud your efforts to carry out an effective transportation planning process in the region.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bill Haslam".

Bill Haslam