

September 5, 2024

Marc D. Williams, P.E. Executive Director Texas Department of Transportation 300 East 8th Street Austin, TX 78701

Dear Mr. Williams:

We received the request from the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to add a 4.2-mile segment from the existing terminus in Lubbock, Texas, to the new limits of U.S. Highway 87 (U.S. 87) access control located 0.1 mile north of County Road 7500, south of Lubbock. This segment is part of the High Priority Corridor 38 (Ports-to-Plains Corridor) that is a designated future part of the Interstate System by Section 1105(e)(5)(A) of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, as amended.

Our Texas Division Office has reviewed TxDOT's designation package, conducted field reviews, and confirmed that the 4.2 miles of U.S. Highway 87 meet all standards for a highway on the Interstate System.

I find the requirements of Section 1105(e)(5)(A) have been satisfied and hereby approve the 4.2-mile addition to the Interstate System as I-27.

Sincerely,

Shailen P. Bhatt Administrator

cc:

Kimberly Floyd, American Association of State Highways and Transportation Officials