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Dear Mr. Lamkin:

Thank you for your letter of September 26 requesting approval for the optional use of the alternative design for the U.S. Bicycle Route (M1-9) sign on all designated U.S. Bicycle Routes in California. This request would be on a Statewide basis, including all roadways under the jurisdictions of local authorities in California. Your request is made under the provisions of Section 1A.10 of the 2009 edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices and our Interim Approval Memorandum IA-15 dated June 1, 2012.

Your request is approved. Please maintain and periodically update a list of all locations where U.S. Bicycle Route (M1-9) signs using the alternative design are installed in California. Your approval has been assigned the number and title "IA-15.3 – Alternative Design for the U.S. Bicycle Route Sign – California Statewide." Please reference this number in any future correspondence.

Thank you for your interest in improving highway safety. If we can be of further assistance on this matter, please contact Mr. Kevin Dunn at kevin.dunn@dot.gov.

Sincerely yours,

Mark R. Kehrli
Director, Office of Transportation
Operations