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Mr. John Niemela, Director
County Road Association of Michigan
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Dear Mr. Niemela:

Subject: Post 2010 U.S. Adjusted Census Urban Boundary Update

Following each decennial U.S. Census, federal law allows the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) the option to adjust U.S. Census Urban Area (CUA) boundaries.

This letter is to inform and invite you to participate in the process which will result in Adjusted Census Urban Boundaries (ACUBs). ACUBs are important to transportation agencies for several reasons:

- Urban boundaries may be used to determine eligibility for certain Title 23 funding categories (e.g., Surface Transportation Program).
- Urban boundaries may have a greater density of federal aid roads compared to rural as described by using the National Functional Classification system.
- For county road commissions, the location of this boundary affects funding distributions from the Michigan Transportation Fund.

The adjustment process must be completed and is due to the Michigan Department of Transportation by June 1, 2013. If there is no agreement by this date, we will either adopt the originally determined CUA or make other adjustments per Federal Highway Administration's approval.

For your information, enclosed is a copy of the cover letter mailed to affected counties, metropolitan planning organizations, cities, and villages. If you have any questions, please contact either me or Mike Toth, Transportation Planner, Asset Management Division, at 517-335-2932.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David E. Wresinski".

David E. Wresinski, Director
Bureau of Transportation Planning

Enclosure