



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**Federal Highway
Administration**

1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

APR 12 2011

In Reply Refer To: HCR-40
DOT #2011-0046

(b) (6)

Dear **(b) (6)**:

This is in reference to your complaint of discrimination, dated November 15, 2010, against the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) alleging a violation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VI) based on your race, African American. In your complaint, you alleged that the I-675 highway going north, which serves the Caucasian community, is kept clean, while the I-675 highway going south, which serves the African American community, is not kept clean.

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has completed its investigation and concluded that the evidence obtained does not support the allegation raised in the complaint. The evidence reviewed during the investigation shows the following:

- The evidence shows that in fiscal year (FY) 2009 and FY 2010, more funds were used to maintain the south section than the north section of the I-675 highway.

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Entire Highway	\$82,009.00	\$75,596.00
Total Spent	\$101,076.00	\$128,798.00

Based on the foregoing evidence, the FHWA does not find that there was a violation of Title VI as alleged in the complaint.



This concludes the FHWA's processing of this matter and no further action will be taken.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brenda F. Armstead". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Brenda F. Armstead
Director, Investigations and Adjudications



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Ms. Cheryl Hudson
Title VI Program Manager
Michigan Department of Transportation
425 West Ottawa Street, Mail Code B450
Lansing, Michigan 48933

Dear Ms. Hudson:

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cc:

Mr. Russell L. Jorgenson, Division Administrator, FHWA (HDA-MI)

Ms. Mary Finch, Civil Rights Specialist, FHWA (HDA-MI)