

California Legislature

June 8, 2017



Mr. Bob Alvarado, Chairman
California Transportation Commission
1120 N Street, Room 2221, MS-52
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Intent of the Local Partnership Program through Senate Bill 1, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017

Dear Chair Alvarado:

We would like to thank the California Transportation Commission (CTC) for being a key partner in supporting the passage of SB 1 (Beall), Chapter 5, Statutes of 2017, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017. This support was extremely helpful in making this bill a reality. Over the next few months, the CTC is charged with developing guidelines for a host of the programs enacted under SB 1 in order to ensure the funding generated from SB 1 can immediately begin to flow to needed transportation investments. We look forward to working closely with you on this guideline development.

It has come to our attention that there were questions raised at the May CTC meeting held in San Diego regarding the legislative intent of the Local Partnership Program. We are writing this letter in order to help bring clarity to this question. SB1 included the Local Partnership Program funding in order to reward existing self-help counties and agencies that have passed developer fee programs on their own, and encourage aspiring agencies to achieve the voter thresholds required to impose local sales tax and developer fees for transportation. Imposing a local tax is not an easy feat and these local dollars provide significant benefit to the State's transportation system.

Although not specifically prescribed in SB 1, it was our intent, as co-authors of the measure and drafters of the original language, that the Local Partnership Program be implemented much like the State-Local Partnership Program (SLPP) created pursuant to Proposition 1B of 2006.

The original SLPP funding was provided at a time when there was a severe recession, which decreased available state transportation funding. Despite this challenge California's self-help counties were able to use the \$700 million in SLPP funding and



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From: Zupan, Toni <Toni.Zupan@asm.ca.gov>
Sent: Friday, June 09, 2017 11:45 AM
To: Butler, Ericka@DOT
Cc: Thronson, Eric@DOT
Subject: RE: Letter to Mr. Alvarado
Attachments: SIGNED ltr to Alvarado re SB 1.pdf

Good morning, Ericka! Thank you so much for your assistance!

Have a wonderful weekend!

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From: Butler, Ericka@DOT [mailto:Ericka.Butler@dot.ca.gov],
Sent: Friday, June 09, 2017 8:49 AM
To: Thronson, Eric@DOT; Zupan, Toni
Subject: RE: Letter to Mr. Alvarado

Hi Toni,

You may forward it to me and I can get it distributed.

From: Thronson, Eric@DOT
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To: Zupan, Toni <Toni.Zupan@asm.ca.gov>
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Subject: Re: Letter to Mr. Alvarado

Hi Toni,

Ericka (CC'd) can help answer that question, I don't know how!

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 8, 2017, at 4:35 PM, Zupan, Toni <Toni.Zupan@asm.ca.gov> wrote:

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Good afternoon, Eric! Attached you will find a letter that went out in today's mail addressed to Chair Alvarado. I need to cc a copy to the CTC members and Susan Branson. What is the best way to distribute the letter to them?

Thank you for your help!