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March 8, 2011

Mr. Dario Frommer, Chair
California Transportation Commission
1120 N Street
Room 2221 (MS-52)
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Support of Contra Costa Transportation Authority AB 608 Request

Dear Mr. Frommer:

I write in support of the Contra Costa Transportation Authority's (CCTA) request that the California Transportation Commission (CTC) approve an AB 608 credit of \$8.126 million to the Contra Costa County STIP share balance.

The CCTA, working cooperatively with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART), is sponsoring an investment of \$950 million in local, regional, State and federal transportation funds to provide long-needed congestion relief for the businesses and residents of eastern Contra Costa County. The investment involves an integrated set of projects to widen State Route 4 from four to eight lanes between Pittsburg and Antioch, and to develop the eBART system from the existing BART terminus at the Pittsburg/Bay Point station to the new Antioch/Hillcrest station. The eBART system is being constructed in the new wide median of SR 4.

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Thank you for your positive consideration of this AB 608 request. I have full confidence that the funds will be reprogrammed in the 2012 STIP for other worthwhile transportation needs in Contra Costa County.

Sincerely,

MARK DESAULNIER



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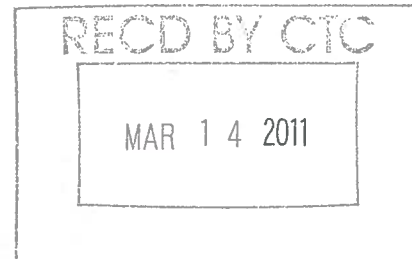
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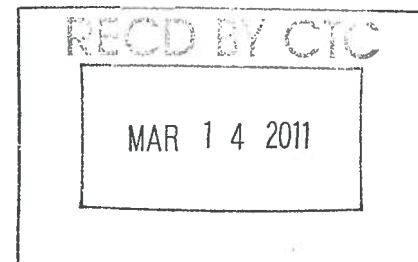


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Respectfully,



Joan Buchanan

Assemblymember—15th District

cc: Contra Costa Transportation Authority