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Transportation Authority*

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Metropolitan Transportation
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*Madera County
Transportation Commission*

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Of Marin*

*Merced County Association of
Governments*

*Transportation Agency for Monterey
County*

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*Santa Barbara County
Association of Governments*

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*San Bernardino
County Transportation Authority*

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Transportation Authority*

*Santa Cruz County Regional
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Association of Governments*

*San Francisco County
Transportation Authority*

*San Joaquin
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Director Tony Tavares
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RE: CSIS Development and Partnership

Director Tavares;

Thank you for meeting with the Self-Help Counties to discuss the Caltrans System Investment Strategy (CSIS) development process. As you are aware, the Self-Help County Coalition (SHCC) member agencies help fund California's transportation infrastructure by approving local sales tax increases by a 2/3 voter margin. There are currently 25 SHCC in California, representing over 85 percent of the population or roughly 32 million people. The SHCC member agencies generate, on average, over \$5 billion annually to fund regional and State priority multi-modal projects, creating tens of thousands of jobs.

As you mentioned, a successful CSIS 2.0 should provide guidance for the implementation of the Climate Action Plan for Transportation Investment (CAPTI) as well as projects from locally approved sales tax measures. We greatly appreciated your commitment to slow the CSIS 2.0 adoption process to ensure that stakeholders are able to review and provide input on CSIS 2.0 as it is developed.

We agree that it is critical that funding partners like SHCC member agencies and stakeholders throughout California be provided sufficient time to review the CSIS 2.0 proposal and provide Caltrans with substantive comments. As CSIS 2.0 continues to roll out we will look forward to providing you and your staff specific input throughout the process.

If possible, it would be helpful for the Department to issue a revised schedule from what had been previously shared, so that our local agencies (and all stakeholders) may best prepare and provide comments to ensure CSIS achieves its intended goals.

We appreciate working with you and the Department to ensure that the CSIS 2.0 is an effective effort. Working together, we can continue to provide for the mobility, safety, and an equitable transportation system for all Californians.

Your commitment to partnership and your leadership is evident and greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Keith P. Dunn'.

Keith Dunn
Executive Director