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MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH
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April 8, 2014

Mr. Jeff Morales, Chief Executive Officer
California High-Speed Rail Authority
770 L Street, Suite 800
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Input into the CAHSR 2014 Business Plan

Dear Mr. Morales:

As Supervisor for Los Angeles County and immediate past Chairman of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA), I continue to take great interest in the California High-speed Rail's potential to link Southern California to Northern California, to create a statewide integrated passenger rail network, and to develop Palmdale and the Antelope Valley as a high-speed rail hub with a future connection to Las Vegas via the High Desert Corridor.

With this letter I would like to reiterate, for the purposes of the 2014 Business Plan comment period, my support for the Authority's review of a tunnel oriented alternative between the Palmdale Transportation Center (PTC) and the San Fernando Valley Burbank/Bob Hope Airport station option.

I first wrote to encourage the Authority to take a look at this potentially more direct, faster, less costly, and less community intrusive route in October of 2013, due to the overall positive impact such an alternative could have on my district and its constituents.

I continue to encourage the Authority to explore this option, and well as options for bringing service on-line sooner through partnerships with other complementary local services like Metrolink.

I would also like to affirm my support for the Statewide Rail Modernization Program that supports critical connectivity projects in Southern California that provide immediate benefits to passengers once completed and that streamline the construction of high-speed rail in the longer term. Addressing the critical need for transportation improvements in Los Angeles County is vital to our economic well-being—and our future—and I believe these ideas are a win-win for the Authority and the communities I represent.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Antonovich".

MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH
Supervisor