February 15, 2007

The Honorable Marian Bergeson
California Transportation Commission
1120 N Street, MS-52
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Chairperson Bergeson:

We, the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors, are writing to express our strong support for the recent Corridor Mobility Improvement Account (CMA) allocation requests from the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA), which include the following projects:

1) U.S. 101 Project in South County (101/25 Interchange)
2) U.S. 101 Improvements (I-280/Yerba Buena Road)
3) U.S. 101 Improvements (Marsh Road/SR-85)
4) I-880/I-280 Improvements (Stevens Creek/Winchester Interchanges)
5) Highway 152 Project

These projects will provide much-needed safety and traffic-flow improvements that will benefit the more than two million people who live and work in Santa Clara County. They will also ease the transportation needs of our regional workforce, which is more than one million people strong.

We expect these projects to contribute to reducing the number of accidents on our roads and to shortening commute times. We cannot underestimate how important these improvements will be to the quality of life of our commuters, who comprise such a substantial and indispensable segment of the State’s economy.
If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Roland Velasco at (408) 299-5010.

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