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Subject: 2018 Draft Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy for Fresno County

Dear Mr. Boren:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the 2018 Draft Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Community Strategy (RTP/SCS).

I would like to compliment Fresno Council of Governments for including the following policies:

- 1) Continue to support coordinated transportation planning efforts between and among the eight Valley Metropolitan Planning Organizations located in the San Joaquin Valley nonattainment air basin.
- 2) Support the planning and construction of a High-Speed Rail System in the San Joaquin Valley, which directly connects the major population centers within the Valley.

The Draft RTP/SCS references the 2016 Authority Business Plan and the Cross Valley Corridor Plan. We request your consideration of the following updates into the Draft RTP/SCS:

- 1) The Authority released its 2018 Business Plan this May. Please reference this plan for Section 4.6 Rail, Recent Accomplishments, and Proposed Actions, Future Planning Activities, Long Range Improvement Plan, High-Speed Rail.
- 2) The Tulare County Association of Government completed its Cross Valley Corridor Plan this June. Please see their [www.tularecog.org](http://www.tularecog.org) for more information.

Thank you for considering these updates. The intent of these updates is to ensure consistency between Fresno Council of Government's 2018 RTP/SCS and the Authority's Business Plan and station area plans in the Central Valley. We look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,



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