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SUBJECT: Additional Comments on the Draft California Transportation Plan 2040

Dear Mr. Corley:

Thank you for the opportunity to review the Draft CTP 2040. As a member of the CTP 2040 Policy Advisory Committee (PAC), AMBAG is concerned regarding the discussion at the May 26, 2015 PAC meeting relating to the "avoid funding projects that add road capacity..." The discussion focused on whether such strong and limiting language should remain in the CTP 2040. AMBAG feels that although there is a strong advocacy voice represented in the PAC, there are other transportation interest groups and users that rely on the roadway network that are not represented on the PAC who would be affected by such a decisive policy.

AMBAG cannot support this strategy as our region still needs to close the gaps and we rely heavily on our local roads and highways for goods movement. This strategy needs to be revised as to not limit region's flexibility in the types of investments that benefit both urban and rural areas as well as passenger and freight travel. Additionally, this strategy as written could prohibit all types of road capacity such as operational improvements, safety projects and transportation system management improvements as well as active transportation projects. AMBAG suggests that Caltrans reword the strategy to "Strategically fund projects that add road capacity" to maintain flexibility to meet all users mobility needs in a sustainable manner.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the Draft CTP2040. If you have any questions, please contact Heather Adamson of my staff at (831) 264-5086.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director