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To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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Subject: **HEARING – PROPOSITION 1B HIGHWAY RAILROAD CROSSING SAFETY ACCOUNT**

SUMMARY:

The Highway Railroad Crossing Safety Account (HRCSA) Program is in its fifth programming cycle. Savings generated from projects allocated in the prior cycles are available for reprogramming to new projects. The available balance for reprogramming is \$2.706 million, \$0.555 million for Part 1 and \$2.151 million for Part 2.

The HRCSA Program Guidelines stipulate that at least one public hearing be held before the California Transportation Commission (Commission) adopts its 2016 HRCSA program of projects. The hearing provides an opportunity for the HRCSA applicants to familiarize the Commission with the project nominations received by the July 1, 2016 deadline. The schedule also calls for the issuance of staff recommendations by September 16, 2016, with the adoption of the 2016 HRCSA program of projects at the Commission's October 19-20, 2016 meeting.

BACKGROUND:

Proposition 1B, approved by the voters in November 2006, authorized the issuance of \$19.925 billion in State general obligation bonds for specific transportation programs, including \$250 million to fund the HRCSA Program. The HRCSA Program is divided into the following two parts:

Part 1 – \$150 million from HRCSA shall be made available for allocation to projects on the priority list established by the California Public Utilities Commission pursuant to the process established in Chapter 10 (commencing with Section 2450) of Division 3 of the Streets and Highways Code, with two exceptions: (1) a dollar for dollar match of non-state funds shall be provided for each project, and (2) the \$5 million maximum in Section 2454 shall not apply to HRCSA funds.

Part 2 – The remaining \$100 million from HRCSA shall be made available to high-priority railroad crossing improvements, including grade separation projects, that are not part of the process established in Chapter 10 (commencing with Section 2450) of Division 3 of the Streets and Highways Code. Projects identified in Part 2 may include any of the following:

- (a) Crossings where freight and passenger rail share the affected rail line.
- (b) Crossings with a high incidence of motor vehicle-rail or pedestrian-rail collisions.
- (c) Crossings with a high potential for savings in rail and roadway traffic delay.
- (d) Crossings where an improvement will result in quantifiable emission benefits.
- (e) Crossings where the improvement will improve the flow of rail freight to or from a port facility.

The Commission will adopt the 2016 HRCSA program of projects under both parts from projects nominated by Caltrans or local agencies.

Attachment – 2016 Highway Railroad Crossing Safety Account Nominations

Highway Railroad Crossing Safety Account Nominations
 2016 Program
 (Dollars in Thousands)

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 Attachment 1

County	Nominated By	Project Name	PUC List	Part 1	Part 2	Enviro. Clearance	Const. Start	Total Project	HRCSA Request
Los Angeles	ACE Construction Authority	Durfee Avenue Grade Separation Project	x	x	x	Jul-14	Oct-17	78,381	6,000
San Bernardino	San Bernardino Associated Governments	Redlands Passenger Rail Project (26 crossings)			x	Mar-15	Jun-17	23,600	15,371
Los Angeles	Southern California Regional Rail Authority	MacDevitt Street Grade Crossing Safety Improvements			x	Sep-16	May-17	1,686	1,092
Los Angeles	Southern California Regional Rail Authority	Merced Avenue Grade Crossing Safety Improvements			x	Mar-17	Nov-17	2,313	1,508
		Total Nominations						\$ 105,980	\$ 23,971

Note: The above projects costs and requests are based on a preliminary review of the nominations and are subject to revision. The list does not reflect priority order

1	35	3	Sacramento	City of Elk Grove
2	62	10	San Joaquin	City of Lathrop
3		4	Contra Costa	City of Richmond
4		12	Orange	City of Santa Ana
5		6	Tulare	City of Tulare
6	30	4	San Mateo	PCJPB
7	68	10	San Joaquin	Port of Stockton
8		7	Los Angeles	SCRRA
9		8	Los Angeles	SCRRA
10		7	Los Angeles	SCRRA
11		7	Ventura	SCRRA
12		7	Ventura	SCRRA
13		7	Los Angeles	SCRRA
14		8	San Bernardino	SCRRA
15		7	Los Angeles	SCRRA
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17		7	Los Angeles	SCRRA
18		7	Los Angeles	SCRRA
19		7	Ventura	SCRRA
20		7	Los Angeles	SCRRA

Grant Line Road Grade Separation Project	Richard Shepard
Lathrop Road Grade Separation with UPRR	Ryan Bouley
Marina Bay Parkway Grade Separation	Chadrick Smalley
Lincoln Ave Railroad Safety Pathway	Jason Gabriel
Santa Fe Trail at Union pacific RR Grade Separation	Mike Whitlock
San Mateo Bridges Grade Separation Project, Phase 2	Joel Slavit
Navy Drive/BNSF Underpass Improvements	Juan Villanueva
Branford Road Grade Crossing Safety Improvements	Kim Chan
Citrus Avenue Grade Crossing Safety Improvements	Michael Manasco
Doran St Grade Crossing Safety Improvement	Kim Chan
Erringer Road Grade Crossing Safety Improvement	Michael Manasco
First Street Grade Crossing Safety Improvement	Michael Manasco
Grandview Ave Grade Crossing Safety Improvements	Kim Chan
Hellman Road Grade Crossing Safety Improvements	
Moorpark Avenue Grade Crossing Safety Improvement	
Ramona Blvd Grade Crossing Safety Improvements	Michael Manasco
Sierra Hwy Blvd Grade Crossing Safety Improvements	Michael Manasco
Sonora Ave Grade Crossing Safety Improvement	Kim Chan
Sycamore Drive Grade Crossing Safety Improvement	
Woodley Avenue Grade Crossing Safety Improvements	Michael Manasco

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County	Sponsor	Project Name	Part 1	Part 2
Sacramento	City of Elk Grove	Grant Line Road Grade Separation Project	x	x
San Joaquin	City of Lathrop	Lathrop Road Grade Separation with UPRR	x	x
San Mateo	PCJPB	San Mateo Bridges Grade Separation Project, Phase 2	x	x
		Part 1 Nominations		
Contra Costa	City of Richmond	Marina Bay Parkway Grade Separation		x
Orange	City of Santa Ana	Lincoln Ave Railroad Safety Pathway		x
Tulare	City of Tulare	Santa Fe Trail at Union pacific RR Grade Separation		x
San Joaquin	Port of Stockton	Navy Drive/BNSF Underpass Improvements		x
Los Angeles	SCRRA	Branford Road Grade Crossing Safety Improvements		x
Los Angeles	SCRRA	Citrus Avenue Grade Crossing Safety Improvements		x
Los Angeles	SCRRA	Doran St Grade Crossing Safety Improvement		x
Ventura	SCRRA	Erringer Road Grade Crossing Safety Improvement		x
Ventura	SCRRA	First Street Grade Crossing Safety Improvement		x
Los Angeles	SCRRA	Grandview Ave Grade Crossing Safety Improvements		x
San Bernardino	SCRRA	Hellman Road Grade Crossing Safety Improvements		x
Los Angeles	SCRRA	Moorpark Avenue Grade Crossing Safety Improvement		x
Los Angeles	SCRRA	Ramona Blvd Grade Crossing Safety Improvements		x
Los Angeles	SCRRA	Sierra Hwy Blvd Grade Crossing Safety Improvements		x
Los Angeles	SCRRA	Sonora Ave Grade Crossing Safety Improvement		x
Ventura	SCRRA	Sycamore Drive Grade Crossing Safety Improvement		x
Los Angeles	SCRRA	Woodley Avenue Grade Crossing Safety Improvements		x
		Part 2 Nominations		
		Total Nominations		

Both	Enviro. Clearance	Const. Start	Total Project	Constraction	HRCSA Request
	Feb-11	Nov-12	30,375	20,720	5,000
	Oct-09	Jan-13	16,855	16,255	5,000
	May-09	May-14	30,000	28,000	9,000
			77,230	64,975	19,000
	Jun-09	Jan-13	42,180	38,800	4,230
	Oct-12	Sep-13	1,022	920	920
	Sep-12	Aug-12	6,813	5,433	3,381
	Jul-12	Mar-14	8,913	7,813	7,413
	ce	Mar-13	3,048	2,650	1,325
	ce	Jan-14	3,030	2,000	1,515
	ce	May-13	2,495	1,746	1,247
	ce	Mar-13	4,383	3,433	1,217
	ce	Mar-13	2,521	2,130	1,217
	ce	Sep-12	2,630	2,630	580
	ce	Mar-13	6,006	6,006	3,181
	ce	Apr-13	5,041	3,589	4,841
	ce	Jan-14	3,030	2,000	1,515
	ce	Jan-14	3,030	2,000	1,515
	ce	Sep-12	2,630	2,630	580
	ce	Mar-13	4,055	3,204	1,217
	ce	Mar-13	1,000	800	500
			101,827	87,784	36,394
			179,057	152,759	55,394