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a California Way of Life.*

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Dear California Congressional Delegation Member:

As President Trump and the U.S. Congress consider the agenda for the remainder of the 115th Congress, California transportation stakeholders urge the nation's leaders to make federal surface transportation infrastructure investment a top priority.

California has joined cities, counties, regions, and states across the country to increase infrastructure funding. In April, Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. signed Senate Bill 1, the landmark "Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017," which was backed by a broad coalition of supporters and will invest \$52.4 billion over the next decade to fix roads, freeways, bridges, and put more dollars toward transit, safety programs and active transportation infrastructure in communities across California. Yet state, local and tribal governments across America continue to need a strong federal partner to make needed "fix it first" investments to preserve our existing assets and deliver transportation infrastructure improvements that will create jobs, increase safety, improve mobility and keep the economy growing in California and across the nation. For this reason, in California, we are hoping that Federal Transportation Infrastructure Investment legislation is developed this fall and that deliberations between the U.S. Senate, the U.S. House of Representatives, and the Administration on infrastructure funding gain momentum.

Therefore, included is the California Federal Transportation Infrastructure Investment Principles. These principles incorporate core federal transportation priorities that were developed through a consensus outreach process with California transportation stakeholders, including a statewide conference call that I hosted this summer. These priorities include:

- Restoring Highway Trust Fund Solvency
- Prioritizing Direct Federal Infrastructure Investment
- Honoring and Building on FAST Act Funding Commitments
- Funding Multimodal Mobility Solutions
- Shortening Project Delivery Time
- Providing Relief for the 2017 California Winter Storm Damage

The transportation policy suggestions contained in this document will benefit California, have support from Californians statewide, and Members of Congress should consider them.

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Thank you for your consideration, and I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Malcolm Dougherty". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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Director

Attachment

California Federal Transportation Infrastructure Investment Principles