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Ms. Mary Ann Mitchell,
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RE: California Transportation Commission (Commission) Staff Comments on the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Draft 2018 Facilities Infrastructure Plan

Dear Ms. Mitchell,

Caltrans submitted the Draft 2018 Facilities Infrastructure Plan (Plan) as part of the August 2017 Commission meeting book. Commission Staff has the following comments on the Draft 2018 Plan for your consideration prior to finalizing the Plan.

Page v, the definition of the SHOPP near the bottom of the page should be updated to include the following; *Projects included in the program shall be limited to capital improvements relative to the maintenance, safety, operation, and rehabilitation of state highways and bridges that do not add a new traffic lane to the system.*

Page 14, a brief paragraph that summarizes the March 2017 Caltrans Headquarters (HQ), Department of General Services Infrastructure Study Update should be included. In the paragraph any significant major findings, deficiencies, or risks identified at the HQ building should be described.

Page 17, the Unfunded Needs table reflects an unfunded need of \$482.8 million for office buildings. The final June 2017 Caltrans State Highway System Management Plan on page

19 reflects a cost that is slightly higher at \$491 million as the unfunded need for office buildings. These two figures should align.

Page 22, the reservation of \$10 million for Transportation-Related Facilities only appears in one year in the Commission-adopted 2016 SHOPP. Therefore the statements at the bottom of the page require correction.

Pages 30 and 31, in June 2017 Caltrans proposed and the Commission approved the acceleration of the project to reconstruct the sand and salt storage building near Truckee from fiscal year 2018-19 into fiscal year 2017-18. Therefore the table on page 30 and the listing of programmed projects on page 31 should be revised to reflect the new programmed fiscal year.

Pages 30 and 31, the *District 4 San Francisco Oakland Bay Bridge (SFOBB) Maintenance Complex Phase 3 Training Center* project is identified in the Plan as a 2016 SHOPP programmed project. However, we understand that the project was incorrectly programmed as a *Reconstruct maintenance facilities* project in the 2016 SHOPP and is not currently programmed in the SHOPP. Therefore the headings that identify this as a programmed SHOPP project should be revised for accuracy. Also, the \$12,450,000 Construction Cost Estimate for this facility should be confirmed as correct. In addition, an explanation why this new District 4 Maintenance Training Facility building project is a priority for Caltrans over other identified and unfunded facility needs should be provided.

Page 47, Electric Vehicle Projects, the first bullet states *Caltrans installed 96 electric vehicle (EV) charging stations and plans to install an additional 147 EV charging stations statewide*. Although the primary purpose of the stations discussed in the report is to serve the growing Caltrans EV fleet, without compromising safety or security considerations, it is not clear in the Plan whether there are any current locations that could be upgraded or future additional locations designed to accommodate dual users, both for public use and to service the Caltrans vehicle fleet?

If you have any questions or concerns regarding these comments, please feel free to contact me at (916) 653-2070.

Sincerely,



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