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Madam Chair Eager & Commissioners
California Transportation Commission
1120 N Street, MS 52
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Madam Chair Eager & Commissioners:

Subject: Support Letter for Supplemental Fund Requests for I-10 HOV Segments 2 & 3
CTC Agenda Tab 72 (ref 2.5e(10); EA 1193U (segment 3))
CTC Agenda Tab 73 (ref 2.5e (9); EA 1170U (segment 2))

Thank you for considering the Caltrans District 7's request for supplemental funds to close out construction for the two remaining segments of the I-10 HOV Lane project from I-605 to State Route 57. Segment 2, from Puente Avenue to Citrus Street, was completed in January 2022. Segment 3, from Citrus Street to State Route 57, was recently completed in June 2022. Both segments, as well as Segment 1 which was completed in 2020, are open to traffic. As you know, the Los Angeles region is the most congested and largest populated region in the nation, accounting for over 25% of the total state population. The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) is committed to providing efficient mobility through our excellent partnership with the Department. LACMTA has worked in close collaboration with the CTC and Caltrans for many years to complete this vital link in the region's carpool lane network. Although the construction took longer than any of our agencies originally anticipated, LACMTA has remained committed to the project and to our partnership with the State to take positive action on climate change by encouraging carpooling. At our Board's April 2022 meeting, \$21,749,863 of funding was approved for our proportional share of the project close-out costs for Segments 2 and 3.

We fully support the Caltrans' request to you for the State's share \$16,104,000 for Segment 2 and \$4,677,000 for Segment 3.

We look forward to our continued positive Partnership with the Caltrans to complete this, and other, vital projects for California.

Sincerely,



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