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March 17, 2022

The Honorable Kevin Mullin
Speaker pro Tempore
California State Assembly
Capitol Office, 1021 O Street, Suite 8320
Sacramento, CA 94249

Re: AB 2197 (Mullin) – Funding for Caltrain Electrification - SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Mullin:

On behalf of the San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans) and the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (TA), I write in support of AB 2197, which would appropriate \$260 million to help fund the Caltrain Electrification Project.

Caltrain's Electrification Project is under construction and when operational in fall 2024, will be the State's first electrified commuter rail system. The project will modernize the 150-year-old rail corridor, replacing 75% of the existing diesel fleet with high-performance electric trains.

Recently, Caltrain identified a funding gap due to delays and cost increases arising from the COVID-19 pandemic and resulting supply chain issues, unforeseen site conditions, and resolution of commercial and contractor disputes. Caltrain is seeking \$260M in State funding to help close the funding gap.

Caltrain has made significant progress on the Electrification Project, which began construction in 2017 and continued throughout the pandemic. The civil infrastructure work is now complete, and the project team is focused on constructing the new signal system.

This spring, the first high-performance electric trains will arrive on the corridor. Full corridor testing will start in 2023 and passenger service is on track to begin in 2024.

SamTrans and the TA understand the importance of providing clean transportation options to Bay Area residents and commuters. Working together, we can all take one-step closer to a greener transit system that is vital in the fight against climate change.

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Honorable Kevin Mullin

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Thank you again for your leadership in ensuring Caltrain can close this funding gap.

Sincerely,



Carter Mau

Acting CEO/General Manager/Executive Director

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San Mateo County Transit District State Legislative Delegation
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Subject: RE: CalTrans archived maps Arlington Drive to Hickey
Date: Thursday, March 17, 2022 8:45:56 AM

Dear Mr. Harris:

SamTrans is in the process of developing an ADA plan. Our ADA expert has reviewed all of the SamTrans bus stops and is developing a plan to address issues that are identified.

Thank you

Tina Dubost

SamTrans Accessible Transit Services

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I know Ann from the Colma Creek meetings.

Someone needs to hire surveyor to bring this up to date.

Monuments need to be reestablished.

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https://www.smdailyjournal.com/business/study-suvs-pickups-more-likely-to-hit-walkers-than-cars/article_70bfda79-f347-5232-b6cb-17b08cc8a514.html

Costco crosswalk is very dangerous.

Trying to cross from Costco to Greenridge area is hazardous for children from 2 schools.

This article is correct.

Suburban Assault Vehicles regularly violate walkers right turn rights.

Often SUV drivers (leaving Costco) are using Spell Phones, trying to turn right with one hand on the wheel.
Bring back the Suicide Knob.

David Canepa, Michael Richardson & I have made progress on the bad road.

Pandemic isolation has slowed me lot.

Instead of being out walking, I am home avoiding the Chi Comm Wu Flu.

Please bring this up at the March SSF PD TAC meeting.

I have made little progress with Samtrans ADA improvements.
This has gone on for decades.

North County needs more bus shelters & benches.

The Grocery Outlet stop is a well used stop.
It should have a shelter.

The McClellan stop needs a shelter.

The Alta Loma stairs stop needs a shelter.

It should have been moved off the road.

There is a bottleneck here that could have been fixed with the El Camino Real sidewalk project.

Kaiser to Arroyo Drive needs a sidewalk. I am not sure why this was not done.

This is not ADA amenable.

El Camino Real from Arlington to Hickey is not usable for walkers, bikers, wheelchairs.

CPUC will try to get ATT / COMCAST to trim the Monterey Cypress going into their lines.

Rickey Tse visited here last Friday.

This road section needs survey monuments reestablished.

Caltrans will try to contract out the overgrowing trees east side of the roadbed.

Caltrans SF Planning cannot start an improvement plan until this area is cleared.

There are too many cooks in the kitchen.

I believe Paul Wilson is point man on this project.

Mike