

contra costa transportation authority

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Tom Butt, Chair The Honorable Jim Beall Federal Glover, Chairman, Senate Transportation and Housing Committee Vice Chair State Capitol, 10th and I Streets, Room 2082 Janet Abelson Sacramento, CA 95814 Newell Arnerich Subject: Senate Bill (SB) 595 - Regional Measure 3 (RM3) Loella Haskew David Hudson **Dear Senator Beall:** Karen Mitchoff The Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA) requests amending Section 7, Julie Pierce 30914.7 (a) of SB 595 to address Inspector General and Maintenance of Effort Kevin Romick requirement for Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) and revised project descriptions Robert Taylor consistent with planned projects in Contra Costa County: Dave Trotter

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2999 Oak Road Suite 100 Walnut Creek CA 94597 PHONE: 925.256.4700 FAX: 925.256.4701 www.ccta.net Sub article (1) amended as follows:

BART Expansion Cars. Purchase new railcars for the Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) to expand its fleet and improve reliability. <u>The purchasing of new railcars, and</u> <u>implementation of the associated train control system as funded by Measure RR, will be</u> <u>subject to Inspector General and Oversight Committee per Article 1.</u> The project sponsor is the BART. Five hundred million dollars (\$500,000,000).

• Sub article (19) amended as follows:

Contra Costa Interstate 680/State Route 4 Interchange Improvements and Transit Enhancements. Fund improvements to the Interstate 680/State Route 4 Interchange and infrastructure to improve safety and reduce congestion facilitate express bus service in the corridor, including, but not limited to, <u>a new direct connector between</u> northbound I-680 and westbound State Route 4, a new direct connector between eastbound State Route 4 and southbound I-680, and widening of State Route 4 to add auxiliary lanes and high occupancy vehicle lane., purchase of buses, development or expansion of park-and-ride lots, and a direct high-occupancy vehicle lane connector. The project sponsor is Contra Costa Transportation Authority. One hundred fifty million dollars (\$150,000,000) Two hundred forty million dollars (\$240,000,000).

Sub article (25) amended as follows:

Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Access Improvements. Fund eastbound and westbound improvements to the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge corridor, including, but not limited to, a direct connector from northbound Highway 101 to eastbound Interstate 580,

replacement of toll plaza with all electronic tolling, operational improvements east of the bridge in Contra Costa, and Richmond Parkway Interchange improvements. The project sponsors are the Bay Area Toll Authority, the Contra Costa Transportation Authority, and the Transportation Authority of Marin. One hundred forty five million dollars (\$145,000,000)Two hundred thirty five million dollars (\$235,000,000), of which one hundred million (\$100,000,000) to Contra Costa.

According to FasTrak data, approximately 18.4% of the bridge tolls in the Bay Area are paid by Contra Costa residents. At this time proposed funding for Contra Costa projects in SB 595 does not meet Contra Costa's fair share of \$773 million (18.4% of \$4.2 billion) of the proposed RM3 expenditure plan. CCTA is requesting additional funding for Contra Costa projects to be consistent with our fair share. The following list identifies projects requiring funding that benefit Contra Costa residents:

Expenditure Plan Funding Category	Project	Requested Funding (\$ shown in millions)
Corridor Express Lanes	Innovate 680 Complete Express Lane on I-680 in Contra Costa County from Livorna Road to Marina Vista Road as part of seven strategy approach to reduce congestion along I-680.	\$100
Goods Movement	I-80 San Pablo Dam Road Interchange Improvements	\$25
Capital Corridor Connections	Hercules Rail Station	\$22.5
Add: I-80 Transit Improvements		\$25
Contra Costa Interstate 680/State Route 4 Interchange Improvements		\$240
Richmond-San Rafael Bridge Access Improvements	Contra Costa East Side Improvements	\$100
Add: East Contra Costa County Transit Intermodal Station		\$10

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The requested funding totaling \$523 million will increase Contra Costa funding in SB 595 to better align with our toll payers fair share. CCTA appreciates your consideration to the above amendments and funding request.

Please feel free to contact CCTA Executive Director Randell Iwasaki at <u>riwasaki@ccta.net</u> or by phone at (925) 256-4724 should you have questions.

Sincerely,

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Tom Butt Chair

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