



County of Fresno

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Tony Boren, Executive Director
Council of Fresno County Governments
2035 Tulare Street, Suite 201
Fresno, CA 93721

Dear Mr. Boren:

Subject: High Speed Rail Heavy Maintenance Facility Funding

Fresno County would like to express our appreciation of the Council of Governments' commitment to securing a heavy maintenance facility for high speed rail in Fresno County. The efforts of you, your staff, and the COG Board members are invaluable especially given the short time frame for submittal of a proposal and the competition for site selection in the San Joaquin Valley.

It is vitally important that we put the best foot forward in making our case to the High Speed Rail Authority that Fresno County is the best location for the facility. To that end, we respectfully request that the COG allocate an additional \$30,000 to this effort, to incorporate a virtual presentation into the presentation package and other necessary activities to secure the heavy maintenance facility.

We remain committed to working with you and your staff as well as the City of Fresno and community members of our Steering Committee to cooperatively achieve our goal of bringing new jobs and industry to this region with the heavy maintenance station. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at the number below.

Sincerely Yours,

John Navarrette, Administrative Officer

c: Supervisor Susan B. Anderson
Supervisor Henry Perea
Bruce Rudd, City of Fresno
Lynn Gorman, Department of Public Works and Planning