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Reply to: Alice Fredericks
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April 18, 2019

The Honorable Anthony Portantino
Chair, Senate Appropriations
State Capitol, Room 3086
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: SB 137 (Dodd). Federal Transportation Funds. State Exchange Programs.
Notice of Support**

Dear Senator Portantino:

The Marin County Council of Mayors and Councilmembers (MCCMC) supports SB 137, which would reduce duplicative federal transportation permitting and environmental review by authorizing the expansion of the State's existing program to exchange federal surface transportation revenues for state transportation revenues, referred to as the Match-Exchange Program.

SB 137 will allow the state, regions, cities and counties to reduce the cost of transportation projects and provide for more projects to be completed with the same amount of revenue by expanding the Match Exchange Program to regions over 200,000 in population and to other federal surface transportation programs including, the Highway Safety Improvement Program, and local bridge projects.

This bill does not require, but authorizes, the state to expand the Match Exchange Program to the extent that state funds are available and that the additional exchanges would not compromise other state funded projects or activities.

For these reasons, MCCMC supports SB 137.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alice Fredericks".

Alice Fredericks, Chair
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