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April 22, 2021

The Honorable Peter A. DeFazio
Chair, House Committee on
Transportation & Infrastructure
2165 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Sam Graves
Ranking Member, House Committee on
Transportation and Infrastructure
2164 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the Link21 Program Development in surface transportation reauthorization legislation. The project sponsor for this project is San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART), and the project is located in the Northern California Megaregion. The funding is designated for a multiyear, multiphase program to create an integrated rail network for Northern California. In this phase, BART and Capitol Corridor are building a robust framework for technical analyses and laying the groundwork for transparent and inclusive decision-making. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits: transforming the BART and Regional Rail network in the Northern California Megaregion into a faster, more integrated system that provides a safe, efficient, equitable, and affordable means of travel for all types of trips; enhancing the livability, economic competitiveness, and environmental quality of the Megaregion while improving the traveler experience and reliability of the rail network.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Eric Swalwell
Member of Congress
April 22, 2021