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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 Valley Link Implementation of Sustainability Blueprint in surface transportation reauthorization legislation. The project sponsor for this project is the Tri-Valley – San Joaquin Valley Regional Rail Authority, and the project will be located on a 42 mile stretch between Alameda County and San Joaquin County, California. The funding is designated for a 42-mile, 7-station passenger rail project that will connect the existing Dublin/Pleasanton BART Station in Alameda County to the approved ACE North Lathrop Station in San Joaquin County. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits: reducing greenhouse gases by providing a new mass transit option for commuters, promoting equity by serving four stations within areas designated as disadvantaged or within or near low-income communities, and providing an estimated 22,000 jobs during construction.

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