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High-Speed Rail Authority Applauds Release of Prop1A Funds for Local Rail Improvements

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – The California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) today applauded the California Transportation Commission’s (CTC) approval of the release of Proposition 1A funds of \$10.9 million for the ACE Stockton Passenger Track Extension (Gap Closure) project in San Joaquin County.

“This early investment paves the way for delivering a 21st Century Statewide Rail Plan,” said Jeff Morales, CEO of the California High-Speed Rail Authority. “Improving and modernizing local and regional rail along with constructing the high-speed rail project will vastly improve the state's mobility and economic competitiveness.”

These funds were appropriated by the Legislature with Senate Bill (SB) 1029, which was signed by Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr., and in addition to being the major funding bill for high-speed rail it also contained significant dollars for intercity rail and local transit improvements.

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