2014 STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

State

PROJECT STREAMLINING & EXPEDITING

Support legislation directed at California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) modernization and process reform that expedites project delivery and promotes the creation of jobs.

FINANCING, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT

Support legislation to expand use of innovative finance structures to create new opportunities for economic development, community reinvestment, and the development of transportation projects and infrastructure investment.

CAP-AND-TRADE FUNDING

Support legislation that ensures an equitable portion of revenues generated from the implementation of the Cap-and-Trade program are allocated to transportation improvements commensurate with the transportation sector's impact in causing these emissions.

MAP-21 IMPLEMENTING LEGISLATION

Support state legislation that ensures funding under MAP-21 is invested in transportation projects that improve air quality and expand the capacity of the entire transportation system.

ENTERTAINMENT TAX CREDIT

Support legislation that will enhance the entertainment tax credit to stop the loss of entertainment jobs and investment in one of Southern California's unique touchstone industries.

WATER BOND

Support legislation to invest in water infrastructure consistent with the water bond appearing on the 2014 statewide general election ballot.

MAINTENANCE OF STATE AND LOCAL ROADS AND TRANSIT SYSTEMS

Support legislation to provide dedicated, secure funding to state highways, streets, and roads to support the maintenance and rehabilitation of the state and local road and transit system.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND PORTS

Support legislation that will increase exports congruent with National Export Initiative (NEI) goals to double exports and create two million jobs over five years and support legislation to prevent the loss of international trade-related jobs in the Southern California region that are at jeopardy from the expanded investments by East and Gulf Coast Ports and the Panama Canal.

Federal

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZATION LEGISLATION

Support recommendations of the Special Panel on 21st Century Freight Transportation for inclusion in the next surface transportation authorization bill and support the full restoration of the $2 billion in annual funding to the National Freight Program originally contained within MAP-21 to the successor authorization bill.

PROJECT STREAMLINING & EXPEDITING

Support legislation to build upon the provisions of MAP-21 to continue to improve efficiency of environmental reviews without diminishing the effectiveness of environmental review processes.

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