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**RE: California Transportation Commission – 2018 Local Partnership Program
City of Hesperia – Rancho Road Widening Project**

Dear Ms. Bransen:

On behalf of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), I would like to offer this letter of support for the City of Hesperia’s application to the California Transportation Commission’s (CTC) 2018 Local Partnership Program (LPP) for funding for their Rancho Road Widening Project.

This project, which will improve east-west traffic circulation, facilitate freight movement, improve air quality, and improve safety response times for emergency vehicles, is the City’s highest priority transportation project. The proposal includes widening a five-mile stretch of Rancho Road between the Interstate 15 Interchange at Rancho Road and the Underpass at Rancho Road and the BNSF Railway tracks. The project includes curbs, pedestrian and cyclist improvements, aqueduct bridge crossing, at-grade railroad crossing, drainage system improvements, utility relocations, and traffic signal installations.

As a project that is consistent with the policies and goals set forth in the adopted 2016-2040 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), especially as they pertain to congestion management, transportation options, goods movement, safety, and air quality, we support this project and respectfully request the CTC give full and fair consideration to this important proposal. I would like to thank you in advance for your consideration of the City of Hesperia’s application.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director