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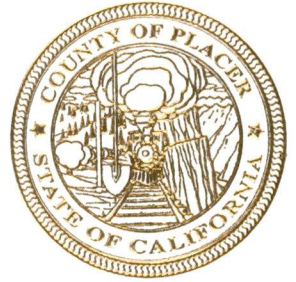
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March 8, 2023

The Honorable Cecilia Aguiar-Curry
Member, California State Assembly
1021 O Street, Suite 6350
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 350 (Aguiar-Curry): Regional transportation plans: Sacramento Area Council of Governments - SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Aguiar-Curry:

On behalf of the Placer County Board of Supervisors, I write to support your Assembly Bill 350, which would facilitate greater interregional collaboration by more closely aligning the Sacramento Area Council of Government's (SACOG) sustainable communities strategy update with those of its regional partners, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG), both for SACOG's current plan update and into the future.

MTC, SJCOG and SACOG collectively make up the Northern California Megaregion, which includes 16 counties and 136 cities with a total population of nearly 11 million. Among other joint efforts, the regions have been collaborating to advance interregional projects that will benefit quality of life, transportation, and commerce throughout Northern California. By more closely aligning the timing of SACOG's next sustainable communities strategy update with those of the MTC and the SJCOG, AB 350 will facilitate better interregional planning and encourage the development of shared priorities across the Megaregion that support improved quality of life and continued economic growth throughout the Megaregion.

AB 350 will also allow SACOG more time to meaningfully collaborate and iterate with its partner agencies, including Placer County and it will provide the opportunity for additional robust outreach and engagement of under-resourced communities well beyond what is required by law. This additional time will ensure that the technical work of the plan does not diminish the important work of engaging member jurisdictions, regional partners, community-based organizations, and the public on what this plan means for the future of the region and how we implement it together.

For these reasons, we support your AB 350. If you need additional information about our position, please contact Joel Joyce, Legislative & Governmental Affairs Coordinator at (530) 889-4026 or at jjoyce@placer.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

COUNTY OF PLACER



Jim Holmes, Chair
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