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California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA)  
915 Capitol Mall, Suite 350B  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
ATTN: David S. Kim, CalSTA Secretary

Subject: Comment Letter on Draft Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure

Dear Secretary Kim:

The Shasta Regional Transportation Agency (SRTA) appreciates the opportunity to comment on CalSTA's draft Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI). The plan's transportation funding investment framework, strategies and actions support SRTA's 2018 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) and are in line with the following SRTA initiatives:

**Fix 5 Cascade Gateway Hydrogen Hub** – Development of hydrogen fuel production in an economically attractive manner based on reliable and relatively low-cost power, available land, and a high demand for hydrogen use strategically located on Interstate 5 and the Union Pacific Railroad.

**Salmon Runner and a fully realized North State Intercity Bus System** – A bus service between Redding and Sacramento along the Interstate 5 corridor, directly serving the communities of Shasta, Tehama, Glenn, and Colusa counties, with a valley feeder service connecting Glenn County to Chico in Butte County.

**Prototype Fuel Cell Motorcoach** – Partnership with a manufacturer for the design, engineering, and building of prototype fuel cell motorcoaches for the Salmon Runner, other North State Intercity bus routes and additional public transportation services across the state.

**The North State Intercity Bus to Rail Plan** – A planning grant application to develop the next generation of intercity travel options between Redding and the major urban centers of Greater Sacramento and the Bay Area.

**ResilientShasta** – A plan to help improve the safety, resiliency, and efficiency of our regional transportation system in the face of extreme weather events related to climate change.

**ShastaConnect** – A right-sized on-demand, curb-to-curb, or door-to-door public transportation service that reduces greenhouse gas emissions while expanding mobility options for seniors, people with disabilities, and more across urban and rural Shasta County.

**Shasta Active Transportation Network** – A plan to help prepare priority bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure projects from the GoShasta Regional Active Transportation Plan to compete for capital construction grants.

SRTA looks forward to working with the state on sustainable, equitable, and healthy modes of transportation, and we appreciate the opportunity to comment on the draft CAPTI that will help the state realize these goals.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Daniel S. Little".

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Daniel S. Little, AICP, Executive Director