

June 25, 2018

Mr. Cuong Trinh Caltrans 464 West Fourth Street 6th Floor, MS 726 San Bernardino, CA 92401

Subject:

U.S. Bicycle Route 66 Name Designation

Dear Mr. Trinh:

The San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA) would like to offer our support for the proposed U.S. Bicycle Route 66 (USBR 66) designation on the Pacific Electric Trail. The property listed as the Pacific Electric Trail, hereby proposed as USBR 66, is under ownership of SBCTA and is licensed to the cities within San Bernardino County for interim use until a rail transportation use can be identified and funded, if deemed necessary by SBCTA. I am contacting you to indicate SBCTA's support for designating USBR 66 on the Pacific Electric Trail using the route as proposed.

We recognize that bicycle tourism is a growing industry in North America, contributing \$47 billion a year to the economies of communities that provide facilities for such tourists. Our area stands to benefit from this opportunity both economically and from the health and environmental related benefits of encouraging bicycle travel in our region.

The American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) has designated a bicycle route corridor through California to be developed as USBR 66. Our authority lies within that corridor and we have investigated the proposed route and found it to be suitable for bicycle tourists.

The proposed route for USBR 66 will provide a benefit to our residents and businesses and we endorse having the route mapped and signed, thereby promoting bicycle tourism in our area, Therefore SBCTA hereby expresses its support for USBR 66, and requests that the appropriate officials nominate the route for AASHTO designation as soon as this can be achieved.

Sincerely.

Alan D. Wapner

President

CC:

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