



TRANSBAY JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY  
Nila Gonzales • Interim Executive Director

March 1, 2021

California High-Speed Rail Authority  
ATTN: Draft 2020 Business Plan  
770 L Street, Suite 620 MS-1  
Sacramento, California 95814

**RE: Support from the Transbay Joint Powers Authority for the CHSRA Draft  
2020 Business Plan**

Dear Mr. Kelly:

I want to take this opportunity to express our support for the California High-Speed Rail Authority's (CHSRA) Revised Draft 2020 Business Plan (the "Draft Plan").

The Transbay Joint Powers Authority (TJPA) commends the CHSRA for completing the Draft Plan and continuing to advance this important project. TJPA is pleased to support the CHSRA in delivering high speed rail service to the new multimodal Salesforce Transit Center in downtown San Francisco to create seamless connections among local, regional, and statewide transportation systems under one roof. This would include 10 other transit systems: AC Transit, BART, Caltrain, Golden Gate Transit, Muni, SamTrans, WestCAT Lynx, Amtrak, Paratransit, and Greyhound.

After 20 years of planning, and nearly ten years of construction, the Salesforce Transit Center is open, and your support has been instrumental. You have been a true champion for public transit and for ensuring San Francisco Bay Area residents can live closer to work, reduce commute times, and increase their quality of life. We believe that the delivery of High-Speed Rail into downtown San Francisco to the Salesforce Transit Center will be a transformational project of regional, state, and national importance. As such, we strongly support the emphasis on advancing construction on the "bookend" projects that CHSRA has committed funding to in the Bay Area and the Los Angeles Basin.

Additionally, we appreciate CHSRA's continued commitment of \$550 million as identified in the Draft Plan for construction of the Downtown Rail Extension (DTX) to support CHSRA's arrival at the Salesforce Transit Center in 2033.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Nila Gonzales".

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cc: TJPA Board of Directors  
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