



July 2, 2015

The Honorable Senator Jim Beall  
Senator, 15<sup>th</sup> District  
State Capitol, Room 5066  
Sacramento, California 95814

RE: Special Session on Transportation Infrastructure

Dear Senator Jim Beall,

We write on behalf of our constituents to thank Governor Brown and our legislative leaders for their courage in addressing the looming crisis of our state's aging transportation infrastructure. We applaud the decision to call the Legislature into a special session to respond to this most urgent of issues. Our offices appreciate the difficulty of tackling this challenge after years of fiscal shortfalls and recognize the importance of making this long-overdue investment for the betterment of future generations of Californians.

As the elected Mayors serving nearly 4 million residents of California, we understand that our population will not fully benefit from these investments if they continue to dodge potholes on their state highways or their local roads. In the interest of serving the people of California, we need to take steps towards providing a well maintained highway and road system that meets the expectations of our residents.

For that reason, we stand together – as leaders of several of California's largest cities – to urge for the preservation of California's roadways by enacting a program consistent with SBX1-1 (Beall). This legislation provides considerable resources, adopts a policy allocating funding in equal amounts to rehabilitate state highways, and aids cities and counties with desperately-needed local road repairs.

We stand with you in advocating for a long-overdue focus on rebuilding California's aging transportation system, and look forward to working with you to achieve this important outcome.

Thank you for your service and leadership at this critical time.

Sincerely,



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Mayor, City of San José



**EDWIN LEE**  
Mayor, City of San Francisco



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cc: The Honorable Senator Kevin De Leon (Senate Pro Tempore)  
The Honorable Senator Robert Huff (Minority Leader)  
The Honorable Senator Anthony Cannella (Committee Vice Chair)  
The Honorable Senator Benjamin Allen  
The Honorable Senator Patricia C. Bates  
The Honorable Senator Ted Gaines  
The Honorable Senator Robert M. Hertzberg  
The Honorable Senator Connie M. Leyva  
The Honorable Senator Carol Liu  
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The Honorable Senator Tony Mendoza  
The Honorable Senator Fran Pavley  
The Honorable Senator Bob Wieckowski