



CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL AUTHORITY

February 21, 2007

Dear Stakeholder:

The California High-Speed Rail Authority's March 2nd public Board Meeting will be held in Sacramento at the Sacramento Area Council of Governments Building at 1415 L Street, Suite 300. **Please note the meeting is scheduled to begin at 10:00 am.**

At this meeting Authority staff will be presenting a preliminary travel time and cost analysis to be used for the Bay Area to Central Valley High-Speed Train Program EIR/EIS. Authority staff and Regional Consultants will be presenting a preliminary high-speed train ridership and revenue forecast from the new model developed by MTC in partnership with the Authority. Additionally, Authority Staff will request input from the Board to assist the Authority Staff and Consultants as they prepare a staging plan for the full 700 mile system.

At the January 29, 2007 public board meeting the Authority authorized the Executive Director to enter into agreements with DMJM Harris for the Sacramento – Fresno Preliminary Design/Project-Specific Environmental Regional Contract, the joint venture URS/Hatch Mott MacDonald/ARUP for the Fresno – Palmdale Preliminary Design/Project-Specific Environmental Regional Contract and HNTB Corporation for the Los Angeles – San Diego Preliminary Design/Project-Specific Environmental Regional Contract.

For information on the all of the Authority's work visit the Authority's website located at www.cahighspeedrail.ca.gov.

I look forward to seeing you in Sacramento at our Board Meeting.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Morshed".

Mehdi Morshed, Executive Director