

February 6, 2018

California State Association of Counties (CSAC)
Mr. Matt Cate, Executive Director
1100 K. Street, Suite 101
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Mr. Cate:

This correspondence is forwarded to your attention on behalf of the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Benito, CA in Hollister, CA.

The San Benito County Board of Supervisors does hereby oppose any efforts to repeal the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (SB1) and fully supports the accompanying constitutional protection measure (ACA 5).

San Benito County has approximately 338 miles of arterial, collector and local roads that require replacement. This critical capital need represents a structural deficit of approximately \$392 Million USD. Divided over ten years, the County would need to allocate \$39 Million USD each year to address this issue.

According to the CSAC Position on SB 1 Repeal Ballot Initiative and ACA 5 – Action Item Memorandum provided to the Housing, Land Use and Transportation Policy Committee dated January 4, 2018 written by Kiana Valentine, CSAC Senior Legislative Representative and Chris Lee, CSAC, Associate Legislative Representative,

“The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (SB 1) was passed by the Legislature and signed into law by the Governor in April 2017. The Legislature also passed an accompanying constitutional protection measure (ACA 5) to ensure the thirty-percent of revenues generated by SB 1 that are not already constitutionally protected are dedicated to transportation. ACA 5 will appear before voters on the June 2018 ballot.”

“Over the next decade, SB 1 will provide approximately \$5 billion annually in revenue for local streets and roads, state highways and public transportation through the imposition of new and increased fuel and diesel taxes and improvement fees. From these revenue sources, approximately \$1.5 billion per year will be allocated by formula for county roads and city streets.”

For FY 2018-19, the estimated SB 1 Revenues projected for allocation to San Benito County totals approximately \$1,731,983.00.

The Board of Supervisors for the County of San Benito hereby endorses CSAC's recommendation to the CSAC Housing, Land Use and Transportation Policy Committee (HLT Policy Committee) to oppose the SB 1 repeal ballot initiative and support ACA 5.

Sincerely,

Chairman
San Benito County Board of Supervisors