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Subject: Approve the Mid County Parkway

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Dear Mr. Bob Botts,

I urge you to approve the Mid County Parkway because it minimizes both unproductive, polluting traffic delays and its impact on land use in the area.

As a frequent traveler in Riverside County, I have seen how bad traffic can get in this area. The Mid County Parkway is a reasonable, well planned addition to the necessary infrastructure to support the residents and businesses in the area. I commute throughout Los Angeles County on a regular basis, and urge you not to follow their short-sighted "planning" that has led to impossibly long commute times and the resultant frustration and excess pollution.

In reviewing the maps, it is clear that the route selected strives to minimize any impact on the remaining natural landscape, while also minimizing the disruption to existing property uses.

Finally, while some may argue that we should focus on trains and other mass transit, I can tell you that I have to drive (in a car) two miles to get on the train to L.A., then get off the train in downtown L.A. and transfer to another car for the 8

mile drive to my work location. The "other" car is the one I use to get around L.A. County before I head back home. This commute takes one hour and 35 minutes. If the freeways were not so badly congested, I could easily drive it in 35 minutes.

I urge you to NOT follow the L.A. model. Take advantage of your transportation dollars and help your businesses and residents be more efficient and less frustrated. Please APPROVE the Mid County Parkway.

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