

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



**FROM:** Supervisors Jeff Stone and John J. Benoit

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**  
September 9, 2014.

**SUBJECT:** Resolution No. 2014-186 in Support for Federal Railroad Administration Grant Funding of Corridor Investment Study for Coachella Valley-San Gorgonio Pass Intercity Rail Service

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:  
1. That the Board of Supervisors approves Resolution No. 2014-186.

**BACKGROUND:**

**Summary**

The California State Transportation Agency and Riverside County Transportation Commission are partnering to complete a corridor investment study of rail service from Los Angeles to Indio.

With the population growth in the Inland Empire, the Coachella Valley and San Gorgonio Pass, demand for such route will continue to increase.

*Jeff Stone*  
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Jeff Stone, Chairman Board of Supervisors  
Third District Supervisor

*John J. Benoit*  
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John J. Benoit, Supervisor  
Fourth District

Departmental Concurrence

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost:	POLICY/CONSENT (per Exec. Office)
<b>COST</b>	\$ 0.	\$ 0	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Policy x
<b>NET COUNTY COST</b>	\$ 0	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.	
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS:</b>				<b>Budget Adjustment:</b>	
				<b>Fiscal Year: 2014/15</b>	

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Benoit, seconded by Supervisor Stone and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

**Ayes:** Jeffries, Tavaglione, Stone, Benoit and Ashley  
**Nays:** None  
**Absent:** None  
**Date:** September 9, 2014  
**xc:** Supvr. Stone, Supvr. Benoit, TLMA

Kecia Harper-Ihem  
Clerk of the Board  
By: *[Signature]*  
Deputy

- A-30
- Positions Added
- 4/5 Vote
- Change Order

**Prev. Agn. Ref.:** \_\_\_\_\_ **District:** 3/4 **Agenda Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**3-113**

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
**FORM 11: Resolution No. 2014-186 in Support for Federal Railroad Administration Grant Funding of Corridor**  
**Investment Study for Coachella Valley-San Gorgonio Pass Intercity Rail Service**

**DATE:** September 9, 2014

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**BACKGROUND:**

**Summary (continued)**

The three existing rail passenger routes serve more than 5.5 million riders a year. Passenger rail and transit services, as they now exist, are limited and have inconvenient schedules.

Rail service could serve a population of approximately 10 million people in Riverside, San Bernardino, Orange and Los Angeles counties. Expanded passenger service would generate good jobs, save time for passengers and motorists, reduce emissions and promote private investment in sustainable communities.

Local cities would benefit from expanded travel options that new passenger rail service would offer.

Partnership is essential to the success of intercity rails to the Coachella Valley.

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3 **RESOLUTION NO. 2014-186**

4 **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION GRANT FUNDING**  
5 **FOR CORRIDOR INVESTMENT STUDY FOR COACHELLA VALLEY-SAN GORGONIO PASS**  
6 **INTERCITY RAIL SERVICE**  
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8 **WHEREAS**, the California State Transportation Agency and the Riverside County Transportation Commission  
9 are partnering to complete a corridor investment study of daily Los Angeles to Indio intercity rail service; and  
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11 **WHEREAS**, intercity rail service between Los Angeles and Indio could serve a population of as many as 10  
12 million people in Riverside, San Bernardino, Orange, and Los Angeles Counties; and  
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14 **WHEREAS**, California's intercity passenger rail program has three existing rail routes that serve more than 5.5  
15 million riders a year. These services generate good jobs, save time for passenger and motorists, reduce  
16 emissions, and promote private investment in sustainable communities; and  
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18 **WHEREAS**, new intercity passenger rail service from Los Angeles to Indio will ease congestion on local roads  
19 and freeways, providing new economic opportunity, improving mobility, and the quality of life in the Inland  
20 Empire; and  
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22 **WHEREAS**, Amtrak currently runs the Sunset Limited train three days a week with service between Los  
23 Angeles and Coachella Valley in Riverside County at inconvenient schedules; and  
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25 **WHEREAS**, there are limited public transit options exist between Coachella Valley, Los Angeles, and other  
26 locations in the Inland Empire; and  
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1 WHEREAS, all local cities would benefit from the expanded travel options that would come from this new  
2 passenger rail service; and

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4 WHEREAS, the Inland Empire, Coachella Valley, and the San Gorgonio Pass are experiencing rapid population  
5 growth and demand on this route will continue to increase; and

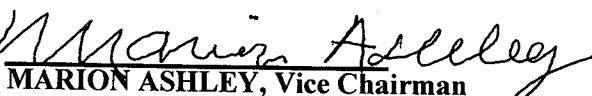
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7 WHEREAS, there is strong local support to establish new intercity rail passenger service between Los Angeles  
8 and the Coachella Valley-San Gorgonio Pass Area; and

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10 WHEREAS, federal partnership is essential to the success of intercity rail to the Coachella Valley;

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12 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside,  
13 assembled in regular session on September 9, 2014 does hereby support the grant request by the California State  
14 Transportation Agency and Riverside County Transportation Commission for Federal Railroad Administration  
15 grant funding.

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18 **KEVIN JEFFRIES, Supervisor**  
19 **Frist District**

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21 **JEFF STONE, Chairman**  
22 **Third District**

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24 **MARION ASHLEY, Vice Chairman**  
25 **Fifth District**

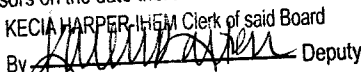
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27 **JOHN TAVAGLIONE, Supervisor**  
**Second District**

  
**JOHN J. BENOIT, Supervisor**  
**Fourth District**

28 ROLL CALL:

29 Ayes: Jeffries, Tavaglione, Stone, Benoit and Ashley  
30 Nays: None  
31 Absent: None

32 The foregoing is certified to be a true copy of a  
33 resolution duly adopted by said Board of Super-  
34 visors on the date therein set forth.

35 KECIA HARPER-HEM, Clerk of said Board  
36 By  Deputy

**Riverside County Board of Supervisors  
Request to Speak**

Submit request to Clerk of Board (right of podium),  
Speakers are entitled to three (3) minutes, subject  
to Board Rules listed on the reverse side of this form.

**SPEAKER'S NAME:** LINDA MCKEE

**Address:** 21928 Spring Crest Road  
(only if follow-up mail response requested)

**City:** MORENO VALLEY **Zip:** 92557

**Phone #:** (951) 836-0057

**Date:** 9/9/14 **Agenda #** 3-113

**PLEASE STATE YOUR POSITION BELOW:**

**Position on "Regular" (non-appealed) Agenda Item:**

**Support**      **Oppose**      **Neutral**

**Note:** If you are here for an agenda item that is filed  
for "Appeal", please state separately your position on  
the appeal below:

**Support**      **Oppose**      **Neutral**

**I give my 3 minutes to:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **BOARD RULES**

### **Requests to Address Board on "Agenda" Items:**

You may request to be heard on a published agenda item. Requests to be heard must be submitted to the Clerk of the Board before the scheduled meeting time.

### **Requests to Address Board on items that are "NOT" on the Agenda:**

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these rules, member of the public shall have the right to address the Board during the mid-morning "Oral Communications" segment of the published agenda. Said purpose for address must pertain to issues which are under the direct jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors. YOUR TIME WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES.

### **Power Point Presentations/Printed Material:**

Speakers who intend to conduct a formalized Power Point presentation or provide printed material must notify the Clerk of the Board's Office by 12 noon on the Monday preceding the Tuesday Board meeting, insuring that the Clerk's Office has sufficient copies of all printed materials and at least one (1) copy of the Power Point CD. Copies of printed material given to the Clerk (by Monday noon deadline) will be provided to each Supervisor. If you have the need to use the overhead "Elmo" projector at the Board meeting, please insure your material is clear and with proper contrast, notifying the Clerk well ahead of the meeting, of your intent to use the Elmo.

### **Individual Speaker Limits:**

**Individual speakers are limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes.** Please step up to the podium when the Chairman calls your name and begin speaking immediately. Pull the microphone to your mouth so that the Board, audience, and audio recording system hear you clearly. Once you start speaking, the "green" podium light will light. The "yellow" light will come on when you have one (1) minute remaining. When you have 30 seconds remaining, the "yellow" light will begin flash, indicating you must quickly wrap up your comments. Your time is up when the "red" light flashes. The Chairman adheres to a strict three (3) minutes per speaker. **Note: If you intend to give your time to a "Group/Organized Presentation", please state so clearly at the very bottom of the reverse side of this form.**

### **Group/Organized Presentations:**

Group/organized presentations with more than one (1) speaker will be limited to nine (9) minutes at the Chairman's discretion. The organizer of the presentation will automatically receive the first three (3) minutes, with the remaining six (6) minutes relinquished by other speakers, as requested by them on a completed "Request to Speak" form, and clearly indicated at the front bottom of the form.

### **Addressing the Board & Acknowledgement by Chairman:**

The Chairman will determine what order the speakers will address the Board, and will call on all speakers in pairs. The first speaker should immediately step to the podium and begin addressing the Board. The second speaker should take up a position in one of the chamber aisles in order to quickly step up to the podium after the preceding speaker. This is to afford an efficient and timely Board meeting, giving all attendees the opportunity to make their case. Speakers are prohibited from making personal attacks, and/or using coarse, crude, profane or vulgar language while speaking to the Board members, staff, the general public and/or meeting participants. Such behavior, at the discretion of the Board Chairman may result in removal from the Board Chambers by Sheriff Deputies.