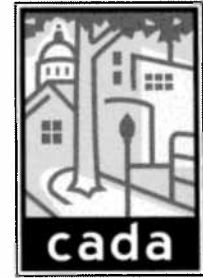


February 5, 2010



Mr. Peter Rogoff, Administrator  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
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Mr. Leslie Rogers, Regional Administrator  
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Dear Mr. Rogoff and Mr. Rogers:

The Capitol Area Development Authority (CADA) is a joint powers authority created by the State of California and the City of Sacramento to implement the redevelopment of 42-blocks of state-owned property, located to the south of the State Capitol. The Capitol Area Plan, which was originally adopted in 1977 and updated in 1997, contains many components now referred to as "new urbanism" or "smart growth" principles. The Plan calls for a mix of uses with office, commercial and residential components designed to encourage walking, bicycling and use of public transit. Streetcar operations will provide the level of public transit service envisioned for this area and complement the many offices and residences developed in the area.

The Downtown/Riverfront Streetcar line will introduce streetcar service into the downtown urban core, providing a platform for future extensions. We look forward to building upon the introduction of streetcar services in the Sacramento Region and furthering our Strategic Plan goal of creating a sustainable environment by maximizing transit-oriented development opportunities. As such, we support and urge your approval of this application for funding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Schmidt', with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

PAUL SCHMIDT  
Executive Director  
Capitol Area Development Authority

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cc: CADA Board of Directors  
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