



February 11, 2013

Via E-Mail

Mayor Bill Bogaard
Members of the City Council
City of Pasadena
100 North Garfield Avenue
Pasadena, California 91109

Re: **Additional Studies for the SR-710**

Dear Mayor Bogaard and Members of the City Council,

The West Pasadena Residents' Association is very pleased to see the Department of Transportation's recommendation for collaborating with neighboring cities in the SR-710 corridor regarding the proposed SR-710 project alternatives. As we have noted in previous correspondence and testimony before the City Council and Metro Board, Metro's SR-710 Group frequently provides information which is confusing, contradictory and even misleading. This is especially true regarding impacts of air pollution, traffic and trucks, construction, and ever-changing (but always huge) cost estimates.

We are especially heartened by the recommendation to work with neighboring communities in both sponsoring white papers and participating in a campaign of direct correspondence with appropriate state and regional authorities. We hope you will determine that the focus on assessment of impacts, rather than opposition to a specific alternative, avoids any conflict with Measure A from 2001.

This work is important to all citizens of Pasadena and residents of our region. We encourage you to aggressively pursue the recommended activities to, as the Department of Transportation says, "ensure the full and accurate assessment of impacts from the SR-710 project and the full mitigation of those impacts on Pasadena."

Thank You

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Frederick Dock *Director, Department of Transportation*