

April 19, 2006

«Fname» «Lname»
«Title»
State of California Assembly
State Capitol, Room «Room_No»
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Infrastructure Bond Proposal: Local Street and Road Funding

Dear «Title» «Lname»:

The City of Paso Robles is aware that negotiations regarding an infrastructure package for California continue among legislators and the governor. We support the adoption and implementation of a long-term capital plan to upgrade and repair the state's vital infrastructure that is essential to sustainable growth in California.

We were recently made aware of an infrastructure proposal circulating by Senator Bob Dutton and the Senate Republican Caucus that would provide \$2 billion for city and county streets and roads. It is our understanding that this funding would be split with 50 percent to cities and 50 percent to counties, with a minimum of \$400,000 for each city.

In an analysis of the local street and road proposal prepared by the League of California Cities, it is estimated that the City of Paso Robles would receive \$897,322 in direct funding for transportation purposes.

The City of Paso Robles would be able to use this money immediately to widen Theatre Drive to the south city limits, intersection improvements at Golden Hill Road and Union Road, and other projects that could be funded, or partially funded with this money.

Again, we support investment in California's infrastructure and appreciate the Senate Republican proposal that would bring much-needed funding to our city for our local transportation needs.

Sincerely,

Frank R. Mecham
Mayor

cc: Senator Bob Dutton
League of California Cities