

The Need for a Transportation Plank in Our 2016 CDP Platform

WHEREAS, (1) our greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions must be controlled, because stabilizing our climate is critical to our future; (2) 39% of California's GHG emissions are caused by transportation and; (3) in order to reach our state's science-based goal of reducing GHG emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 and 80% below 1990 levels by 2050, significant transportation policy changes will be required; and

WHEREAS, (1) the cost of transportation is significant to families, communities, companies, our state, and our nation; (2) many transportation facilities are provided by government; (3) highway congestion and fuel-price fluctuations are a frequent source of harm; and (4) highway maintenance and many transit services are threatened by our state's budget problems; and

WHEREAS, (1) many citizens realize that government transportation policies need reconsideration; and (2) our current CDP platform has planks on a wide range of subjects but only a few of them are as impactful to the general population as transportation;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Democratic Club of Carlsbad and Oceanside (DEMCCO) declares its support for the creation of a transportation plank for the 2016 California Democratic Party (CDP) platform, one that would describe the top-level changes needed to achieve a more equitable, efficient, and environmentally-sound set of transportation policies;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution is sent to the San Diego County Democratic Party Central Committee, the CDP's Platform Committee and to party and state officials, including our Party Chair, our Governor, our Lieutenant Governor; the President Pro Tempore of the California Senate; the Speaker of the California Assembly; the California State Attorney General; and the Chair of the California Air Resources Board.

This resolution was approved by the E-Board of DEMCCO on February 19th, 2015 and by the membership On Feb. 28th, 2015. This resolution was passed by the San Diego County Democratic Party Central Committee on January 17th 2012, *for the 2012 CDP Platform* and a later version was passed *for the 2014 CDP Platform*. This resolution was written and submitted by Mike Bullock, San Diego County Central Democratic Party Member and CDP Delegate, 76th AD, mike_bullock@earthlink.net (760-754-8025).