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**CIC APPLAUDS LEGISLATURE'S BIPARTISAN EFFORTS TO PLACE AN
INFRASTRUCTURE BOND PACKAGE ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT**
*Infrastructure Bonds Will Provide Long Overdue Infrastructure Investments In
California's Roads, Schools, Levees and Affordable Housing; Measure Protects Prop. 42*

SACRAMENTO – The California Infrastructure Coalition (CIC), which represents a diverse group of infrastructure sectors, today applauded the California State Legislature's bipartisan efforts to approve an infrastructure bond package on the November election ballot. CIC praised Legislative leadership for their commitment and determination to make the \$37.3 billion infrastructure bond a reality – one that will bring long overdue investment to the state's roads, schools, levees and create more affordable housing.

“We applaud the Legislature's bipartisan efforts to craft this infrastructure bond package and providing these long-overdue investments that are critical for our state's future and quality of life for all Californians,” said CIC Chairman and California League of Cities Executive Director Chris McKenzie.

“Senate President Pro Tem Don Perata, Assembly Speaker Fabian Núñez and Republican Leaders Senator Dick Ackerman and Assemblyman George Plescia demonstrated strong leadership on this vital issue for the people of California. The California Infrastructure Coalition looks forward to the Governor signing this important package and placing it before the voters in November,” McKenzie added.

The package entails a series of bonds that would provide funds to improve roads, goods movement, transit systems, schools, flood protection and affordable housing – areas that reflect CIC members' varied infrastructure interests. It has been more than four decades since lawmakers have made significant and consistent investments in California's infrastructure systems, failing to keep up with California's growing population and overburdening its aging systems and facilities.

“CIC looks forward to playing an instrumental role, through our diverse membership, to educate voters about the urgent need for infrastructure investment and encourage their support for the bonds in November,” McKenzie noted.

Last March, CIC launched an aggressive campaign to encourage the Legislature and the Governor to work together on an infrastructure package for the June ballot and to educate the public on the need for dedicated infrastructure investment in California.

Another key component to the package was a constitutional amendment to restrict the ability of the Governor and Legislature to use Proposition 42 gasoline sales tax revenue for non-transportation purposes. CIC has been a strong advocate for fixing the so-called Prop. 42 loophole and the efforts of a broad-based coalition, spearheaded by CIC member California

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California Business Roundtable
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California Building Industry Association
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Alliance for Jobs, to gather sufficient signatures to place a constitutional amendment protecting Proposition 42 funds on the November ballot had the Legislature not included the provision in its package.

“The legislative Proposition 42 fix is a good, strong measure that would never have been offered to us if we had not mounted a successful signature-gathering effort for an initiative campaign,” said CIC Member and California Alliance for Jobs Executive Director Jim Earp. “It guarantees that Proposition 42 funds be used for transportation improvements and the \$2.3 billion previously taken from transportation be paid back within 10 years.”

The California Infrastructure Coalition is a non-profit, broad-based organization whose mission is to build support for dedicated and consistent sources of funding sufficient to sustain California’s vital infrastructure facilities and systems. For more information please visit www.calinfrastrucuture.org