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To: Metropolitan Planning Organizations,

Attached is a letter from Caltrans Director Will Kempton requesting your participation in a statewide traffic data survey developed by the California Traffic Records Coordinating Committee (TRCC). Director Kempton would appreciate 15 minutes of your time to complete the survey.

The TRCC, an integral component of California's Strategic Highway Safety Plan effort, prepared the survey to identify areas where traffic data (including crash data) needs improvement. CHP Commissioner J. A. Farrow will be sending a similar letter to all local law enforcement agencies requesting their participation. The results of the survey will assist the TRCC with revising California's State Traffic Safety Information Systems Strategic Plan.

Please forward this email to employees in your organization who are involved with traffic safety engineering, transportation planning, traffic counting, or traffic modeling, etc., who may have input and ideas on the collection, use, storage, and analysis of traffic safety data.

The survey will be active until May 15, 2009. Please click on this link to participate in the survey. <http://www.dot.ca.gov/survey/>

Thanks in advance for your assistance.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me or Randy Ronning at [randy.ronning@dot.ca.gov](mailto:randy.ronning@dot.ca.gov) or at 916-653-4727.

Thanks.

(See attached file: Will Kempton's Letter to Transportation Officials.pdf)

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April 6, 2009

Dear Transportation Official:

The California Traffic Records Coordinating Committee (TRCC), a committee formed pursuant to the enactment of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users, requests your input on a statewide traffic records survey. The TRCC is comprised of representatives of 14 organizations in State and local governments, whose goal is to improve the timeliness, accuracy, completeness, uniformity, integration, and accessibility of traffic data. This will help to identify priorities for national, State, and local roadway traffic safety programs. A list of the participating organizations is attached.

The TRCC has developed a survey to seek input on how agencies collect, use, store, share, and analyze basic traffic data. Based upon the responses, the TRCC will establish a strategic plan to fund improvements that will be most useful and effective to the traffic records users' community. To complete the survey, please visit the following Web site: [www.dot.ca.gov/survey](http://www.dot.ca.gov/survey). The survey is divided into three sections: (1) Public Works, (2) Law Enforcement, and (3) General Use of Collision and Traffic Data. It is requested that you only complete sections (1) and (3) by April 30, 2009.

California Highway Patrol Commissioner, J. A. Farrow, is sending a similar letter to all local law enforcement agencies throughout the State asking police officers and sheriffs' deputies to complete sections (2) and (3) of the survey.

Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey. Your input will be of great use to TRCC as they develop strategic improvements to the way California identifies, prioritizes, and funds traffic safety improvement projects throughout the State. The results of the survey will be available upon completion of the analysis.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Will Kempton".

WILL KEMPTON  
Director

Attachment

c: J. A. Farrow, Commissioner, California Highway Patrol  
Mike Brown, Deputy Secretary, Public Safety, Business, Transportation and Housing Agency

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## Attachment

The following is a list of organizations from State and local governments whose goal is to improve the timeliness, accuracy, completeness, uniformity, integration, and accessibility of traffic Data:

- National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
- Federal Highway Administration
- Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration
- Business, Transportation and Housing Agency
- California Highway Patrol
- California Department of Motor Vehicles
- California Department of Transportation
- State Office of Traffic Safety
- State Emergency Medical Services Authority
- Administrative Office of the Courts
- California State Association of Counties/
  - County Engineers Association of California
- League of California Cities
- California Center for Innovative Transportation
- University of California, Berkeley – Traffic Safety Center