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## Dear Maureen:

I am writing today to express interest in becoming the Bay Trail Board (Board) Member Alternate for Jean Finney as the Caltrans representative on the Board. As the Caltrans Bay Area (District 4) Office Chief for Transit & Community Planning, I am responsible for the district-wide management of various planning functions, including active transportation planning and coordination. This includes overseeing the identification of active transportation and Complete Streets priority projects in the State Highway Operation & Protection Program (SHOPP) and other funding programs, as well as development of funding applications for such projects. The Bay Trail is a flagship component of active transportation in the Bay Area, and the source of many opportunities to link communities around a common treasured resource. I am a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP), and have a strong history of working cooperatively to build planning partnerships. Our Deputy District Director of Plannina & Local Assistance, Jean Finney, has been serving as the Caltrans representative to the Bay Trail Board for many years, and I look forward to engaging with the Bay Trail staff and the rest of the Board as her Alternate.

Sincerely,

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