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**CALTRANS SEEKS PUBLIC COMMENT ON REVISED PROPOSED REGULATIONS FOR SALE OF SURPLUS STATE ROUTE 710 PROPERTIES**

**LOS ANGELES** – In response to community and stakeholder comments, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) today announced that revised Affordable Sales Program proposed regulations are available for written public comment from February 27 to April 13, 2015. Public hearings will also be held on April 20 and 21 in southern California.

The purpose of the revised proposed regulations is to establish guidelines for how Caltrans will sell surplus residential properties along the SR 710 corridor.

Based on various input from the community members, stakeholders, the Department of Housing and Community Development, and the California Housing Finance Agency, Caltrans withdrew the May 30, 2014 proposed regulations, made significant changes reflecting public feedback, and has resubmitted the draft for further public comment. Key changes in response to public feedback include:

- A new mechanism to expand opportunities for affordable buyers to gain equity, replacing a 30-year Director Deed restriction.
- Increased potential opportunities to purchase property for current tenants who are not eligible for priority as affordable buyers.
- Increased potential opportunities for current tenants to remain in their residences even if they do not purchase the property.

**The revised proposed regulations are posted on the California Regulatory Notice Register and Caltrans' web site: [www.dot.ca.gov/regulations.htm](http://www.dot.ca.gov/regulations.htm).** Interested parties may review and comment on the revised proposed regulations by April 13, 2015 at 5 p.m., per the Administrative Procedures Act. Comments can also be submitted by mail (Affordable Sales Program, 1120 N Street, MS 37, Sacramento, CA 95814), e-mail ([Affordable\\_Sales\\_Program@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Affordable_Sales_Program@dot.ca.gov)) or fax (916.654.6378).

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Caltrans will also host public hearings on April 20 at the Pasadena Convention Center and April 21 at California State University, Los Angeles. These public hearings will offer further opportunity to comment on the revised proposed regulations. After the public

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comment period, final regulations will be submitted to the Office of Administrative Law for approval.

Caltrans owns 460 properties related to SR 710 projects in Pasadena, South Pasadena and El Sereno. These will be offered for sale in phases according to when they are declared surplus and consistent with state law.

For further information about the proposed regulations, please visit the Caltrans website ([www.dot.ca.gov/regulations.htm](http://www.dot.ca.gov/regulations.htm)), call Caltrans at (916.654.4790), or and e-mail Caltrans at ([Affordable\\_Sales\\_Program@dot.ca.gov](mailto:Affordable_Sales_Program@dot.ca.gov)).

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