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Mary Nichols, Chairman California Air Resources Board 1001 "I" Street P.O. Box 2815 Sacramento, CA 95812

## Dear Chairman Nichols:

As an elected official, I encourage the California Air Resources Board to pursue vigorous implementation of SB 375 (Steinberg). This legislation will help California lead the way in implementation of "smart growth" policies that can improve local economies, reduce our infrastructure costs and create jobs while also reducing air pollution and greenhouse gases.

I support MTC's recent actions to recommend a regional greenhouse gas reduction target. I am writing to ask CARB to show leadership in helping SB 375 reach its full potential in two ways:

- Residents in our community want us to address climate change, but they also want us to make our communities healthier, to protect our air and water quality, and to provide greater economic opportunity for everyone. We need the tools to make sure our region's Sustainable Communities Strategy achieves these broader goals. Please establish a process to monitor the implementation of SB 375 and measure all of the benefits of smarter growth.
- Our jurisdiction is committed to doing good planning, but in this current economic downturn, our budget is very tight. Please exercise your full powers to identify and support financial resources that cities and towns can use for planning and other activities that meet the goals of SB 375.

Our jurisdiction stands ready to partner with neighboring cities and towns to achieve this full range of goals, to reduce traffic and chronic illness, and to make our communities healthier and economically stronger.

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