

January 24, 2018

The Honorable Bill Dodd Member, California State Senate State Capitol, Room 5064 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Senate Bill 914 – SUPPORT

Dear Senator Dodd:

On behalf of the Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC), I offer our support for your Senate Bill 914, which would expand county authority to utilize the construction manager at-risk (CMAR) method for all infrastructure projects, except roads.

RCRC is an association of thirty-five rural California counties, and the RCRC Board of Directors is comprised of elected supervisors from each of those member counties. County Boards of Supervisors are ultimately responsible for letting contracts for various county construction projects, and work closely with their county counsel and public works directors in accordance with prescribed rules, many of which are in statute.

SB 914 would allow counties to utilize the CMAR method for all projects, other than roads, and would give counties the flexibility to select the best overall proposal by ensuring the highest quality public construction at the most reasonable public expense.

For the above reasons, RCRC supports your SB 914. If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (916) 447-4806.

Sincerely,

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cc: The Honorable Timothy Grayson, Member of the State Assembly

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