STAFF REPORT

Altamont Regional Rail Working Group

- SUBJECT:Working Group Action ItemsFROM:Executive Director
- DATE: May 4, 2016

Action Requested

- A. Add to the Working Group the Easy Bay Leadership Council, San Joaquin Partnership and Innovation Tri-Valley Leadership Group.
- B. Direct staff to work with BART on the concept of a Joint Powers Authority for the BART to ACE Project.

Background

Important to the planning and construction of BART to ACE in the most expeditious, efficient manner will be continued mega-region support on the project. As contained within AB 2762 (Baker), staff recommends the addition of three influential and relevant groups to the Altamont Regional Rail Working Group: Easy Bay Leadership Council, San Joaquin Partnership and Innovation Tri-Valley Leadership Group.

Additionally, as AB 2762 is discussed and hearings conducted staff believes it important to have open communication with BART representatives on the concept of creating an Authority. Staff recommends authorization from the Working Group to have these discussions.