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**CALIFORNIA ALLIANCE FOR JOBS COMMENDS GOVERNOR
BROWN’S VISION AND LEADERSHIP ON INNOVATIVE PROJECTS**

SACRAMENTO: Jim Earp, Executive Director, California Alliance for Jobs, issued the following statement in response to Governor Brown’s State of the State address.

“We applaud Governor Brown’s vision for California’s future and the leadership he is demonstrating in getting us there. The Governor understands well the vital link between the Golden State’s prosperity and bold, innovative transportation and water infrastructure projects.

“Now more than ever we need to get real about the challenges facing California and support smart solutions that will create jobs, strengthen our economy and improve our quality of life. High-speed rail is one such solution. The Governor's focus on building high-speed rail better and faster will create thousands of much needed jobs, reduce traffic congestion and air pollution, and provide vital connectivity throughout the state.

“We cannot afford to let shortsightedness or politics dictate our future. Forward-thinking projects like high-speed rail offer tremendous environmental, economic and transportation benefits that are well worth the investment, not only now but for future generations.

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The California Alliance for Jobs represents more than 2,000 heavy construction companies and 80,000 union construction workers from Kern County to the Oregon border. The Alliance advocates responsible investment in public infrastructure projects to help build a secure future for all Californians.

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