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October 8, 2010

Re: 405 Freeway ramps at Skirball Center

Gentlemen:

The Federation of Hillside and Canyon Associations opposes the proposed change in location of the Skirball on and off ramps.

The Federation, which represents thirty-three residents associations spanning the Santa Monica Mountains from west of the 405 freeway to Mt. Washington, has serious concerns about the proposed design of new on and off ramps on the 405 freeway at the Skirball Center. The plan does not appear to have been carefully thought out with regard to traffic flow and public safety. It displaces the existing bus stop which serves the Park and Ride patrons. There is no sidewalk for them to walk safely from the facility to the bus stop.

Additionally, the project would be a very expensive one with little savings in time. It is our understanding that the project would result in only a 30-second reduction in commute time. In these times of tight budgets those dollars can surely be put to better use elsewhere.

We urge you to listen to local residents' concerns and oppose moving the Skirball on and off ramps on the south 405 and the keep them in their current location.

Sincerely,

Marian Dodge

Marian Dodge, President