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GOODS MOVEMENT IN CALIFORNIA

Improving the movement of goods in California is among the highest priorities for Governor Schwarzenegger. The State's economy and quality of life depend upon the efficient, safe delivery of goods to and from our ports and borders. At the same time, the environmental impacts from goods movement activities must be reduced to ensure protection of public health.

The goods movement and logistics industry is an increasingly important sector of good jobs for Californians. It is vital to grow the industry by improving the essential infrastructure needed to move goods from California's ports throughout California and to the rest of the country with a focus on the entire "coast to border" system of facilities, including seaports, airports, railways, dedicated truck lanes, logistics centers, and border crossings. This system of facilities is critical to the national goods movement network and must be the focus of a partnership with the federal government. Improving the goods movement infrastructure also is pivotal to relieving congestion on freeways and increasing mobility for everyone in California. Further, it is vital that local, state and federal authorities cooperate to ensure port, rail and road safety and security.

It is the policy of this Administration to improve and expand California's goods movement industry and infrastructure, in a manner which will:

- Generate jobs
- Increase mobility and relieve traffic congestion
- Improve air quality and protect public health
- Enhancing public and port safety
- Improve California's quality of life

The Schwarzenegger Administration has established a Cabinet Working Group to lead the implementation of this policy for goods movement and ports by working collaboratively with the logistics industry, local and regional governments, neighboring communities, business, labor, environmental groups and other interested stakeholders to achieve shared goals.