

Letter  
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**To:** CAP  
**Subject:** Comments on the County Climate Action Plan  
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To whom it may concern:

The San Diego County plan, as stated, has almost nothing about mass transit. The County is an important player in SANDAG and the North County Transit Board where the 5th District Supervisor is a Board member.

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The change I am suggesting would help to reduce GHG emissions as well as benefit the public by reducing traffic congestion.

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 MTS offers an "Express" bus from the Escondido Transit Center to downtown San Diego starting at 5AM ending at 8AM with service every 15-30 minutes, then a return trip starting at 3PM. It is a very comfortable bus with only the Del Lago Center being a stop before reaching downtown.

If one lives in the Fallbrook/Bonsall/Pala area, wanted to use mass transit and would like to use this bus vs driving to Escondido, their only option would be NCTD bus 388/389, which the first bus pickup at the 76/1-15 park and ride is 7:19AM, theoretically arriving at E.T.C. at 7:46 - just in time to MAYBE catch the last express bus. Yes, you can still take the 235 which makes many stops, takes longer and isn't as comfortable as the 280. Obviously people are willing to pay the extra charge of the 280 as it appears to be well used.

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SUGGESTION: If there were an "Express" bus from the park and ride that would coordinate with the 280 you could easily see more individuals opting for the HWY 76 park and ride (recently expanded and renovated) in order to have a express route to downtown San Diego without driving. Even the Riverside Transit District has a "CommuterLink Express" bus from Temecula in the early morning/late afternoon that links up with the schedule of the 280. Why can't upper North County residents have this same benefit?

There are now 3 large suburban communities under construction in the immediate proximity to the new park and ride. Hundreds of more cars on the road and an opportunity to help mitigate that to some degree.

Thank you for your time.

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## Response to Comment Letter I36

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**I36-1** The comment states that the County should do more to support transit improvements. Please see response to comment I16-1.

**I36-2** The comment provides information and context regarding existing bus service provided by MTS and suggests that North County residents could benefit from an expansion of service in the area. Please see response to comment I16-1.