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| **New California State Transportation Agency Begins Today**  As a part of Governor Brown’s reorganization plan, the new California State Transportation Agency begins operation today. The new agency will be known as CalSTA and will include the Board of Pilot Commissioners, California Highway Patrol, California Transportation Commission, Department of Transportation, Department of Motor Vehicles, High-Speed Rail Authority, New Motor Vehicle Board, and, the Office of Traffic Safety. In addition, the Governor will soon announce the appointment of key positions in the new agency including the appointment of Brian Annis as Undersecretary, Russia Chavis as Deputy Secretary for Transportation Safety and Enforcement, and Ben D’Alba as Assistant Secretary for Rail and Ports amongst others. Metro staff have worked with many of these individuals in the past and we look forward to our continued positive working relationship with Secretary Kelly and the new transportation agency. The formal announcement of the new agency can be viewed [here](http://libraryarchives.metro.net/DB_Attachments/130701_CA_Launches_Transportation_Agency.pdf). |
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