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COURT GIVES PERMISSION TO KINGS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT TO PARTICIPATE IN LAWSUIT AGAINST CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL AUTHORITY

Hanford, CA May 1, 2013 – The Sacramento County Superior Court recently granted the motion of **Kings County Water District** in Central California to file an amicus curiae ("friend of the court") brief and to participate as an amicus in the case of **Kings County, John Tos and Aaron Fukuda** versus the **California High-Speed Rail Authority (CHSRA)**.

"The participation of Kings County Water District in this case will be useful, and will not delay resolution of this case," according to the Court's documents issued on April 19, 2013.

The case of **Kings County, Farmer John Tos** and Hanford resident **Aaron Fukuda** will be heard in Sacramento County Superior Court at 9 a.m. on Friday, May 31st, 2013. The court case number and accompanying briefs along with additional information can be viewed at: www.countyofkings.com/main/2013/hsra/index.html

"Kings County Water District seeks to give voice to special districts," said **Ray Carlson**, attorney for the **Kings County Water District**. "These small districts provide vital, basic services at the most local level. They are not often heard."

Attorney **Mike Brady** who is representing plaintiffs Kings County, John Tos and Aaron Fukuda said: "We look forward to having the Water District join with us in prosecuting our lawsuit against the Authority in 30 days. Our lawsuit alleges 10 violations of Proposition 1A that will prevent the use of Proposition 1A bonds to finance construction and which will prevent the commencement of construction in the Central Valley and on the bookends."

Citizens for California High Speed Rail Accountability (CCHSRA) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan advocacy group based in Kings County whose members reside in the city of Hanford and surrounding rural areas, along with other Californians who are affected by the high-speed rail. The group has been in the forefront since June 2011 attempting to get the **California High-Speed Rail Authority (CHSRA)** and its board to be in full compliance with **Proposition 1A** which the state's voters passed in November 2008.

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