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CCHSRA, KCFB FUNDRAISER TO PROTECT AGRICULTURE AND THE VALLEY SLATED FOR FEBRUARY 20TH IN HANFORD

Hanford, CA February 19, 2014 – Citizens for California High Speed Rail Accountability (CCHSRA) and the **Kings County Farm Bureau (KCFB)** will co-host a fundraising luncheon/reception to "Protect Agriculture and The Valley" on Thursday, February 20th, 2014 at the Civic Auditorium in Hanford, California.

Special guests include **Congressman David Valadao**, **Assemblyman Frank Bigelow, Assemblywoman Shannon Grove, Assemblywoman Diane Harkey** and **Assemblyman Jim Patterson**. Members of the **Proposition 1A** Legal Team will also be there along with local leaders. Invited guests include **Senator Andy Vidak**.

Those who attend the fundraiser will have a chance to hear elected officials speak about key issues adversely affecting agriculture in the Central Valley which include California high-speed rail and water. Attendees will also have a chance to personally ask the legislators questions.

"This is an historical event where our legislators will stand shoulder-to-shoulder with Central Valley citizens and agriculture to call on our state to be accountable," said **KCFB Executive Director Diane Friend.**

A fundraising sponsor lunch with special guests will be followed by a lunch reception. Sponsorship and ticket information inquiries should be made via email to **CCHSRA Board Members Alan Scott** (a_scott1318@comcast.net) and/or **Helen Sullivan** (sullypnh@wildblue.net).

Kings County Farm Bureau is a non-profit advocacy organization, which represents approximately 800 members of the agricultural community. The mission of **KCFB** is to provide education, promotion and representation of agriculture.

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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