

# Fresno Business Owners Revolt Against High Speed Rail

FRESNO, Calif., April 30, 2012 (SEND2PRESS NEWSWIRE) – The Central Valley Tea Party has been commissioned to hold a press conference with one hundred Fresno business leaders and owners who will be affected by the imposition of the High-Speed Rail project on “Mayday,” Tuesday, May 1, 2012. The one hundred business owners who are on the current High-Speed Rail track line will be present in solidarity to oppose the High-Speed Rail through Fresno.

These Fresno businessmen and women will be on hand to tell their stories at the press conference. These businesses have been neglected and abused by the City and County of Fresno as well as the High-Speed Rail Authority. Also scheduled to speak is John Broeske, Executive Director of Families Protecting the Valley.

The lost revenue to the city and county of Fresno will be in the tens of millions of dollars. This is revenue that the city and county rely upon for essential services for all citizens. One business represented pays over a million dollars monthly in sales tax alone. Another Fresno business pays the county over a million dollars annually for truck licensing fees. These direct losses of tax base do not include similar losses from each and every employee.

The number of employees lost is another unreported issue. Many of the companies effected will be leaving Fresno altogether – many to other counties and several to other states. It will be nearly impossible to relocate these businesses to locations with similar freeway access inside of Fresno.

The displacement costs on top of the lost revenue will never adequately replace the active business dollars these businesses have built over generations of being in the right location. Eminent domain seizure of these properties is already planned by the High-Speed Rail Authority and the only recourse of these businesses may be a class-action lawsuit that could tie up the project for years.

WHAT – WHEN – WHERE:

**“Mayday! Mayday! Stop the Train.”**

100 Fresno Businesses Opposed to High Speed Rail;

Tuesday May 1st;

At Klein’s Truck Stop;

(Herndon and Freeway 99);

12 noon (Lunch Served).

**Here is a partial list of Fresno businesses who have signed a letter against high-speed rail:**

Fresno Commercial Neon

John R Lawson Trucking

Thermo-King

La Quinta Inn  
Discount Tire  
Subway  
Bob's Mini-Storage  
Riverside Nursery  
The Cosmopolitan Restaurant  
Dustin Pest Control  
Klein's Truck Stop  
Fresno Rescue Mission  
Romo's Towing  
Allied Waste  
A&R Transmission  
Yukon Jack's  
Rosenbaum Rockery  
United RV Storage  
Bulldog Recycling  
Valley National Express.

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