

California is well positioned to conduct the testing and analysis of unmanned systems, and the state is ready to support San Diego in this endeavor. The aviation expertise from the state's UAS and aerospace industry, knowledge base of existing researchers, engineers, developers and aviators, partnered with organizations and institutions, and supportive active military installations supports a truly collaborative business and government ecosystem. The long history of UAS Test and Evaluation at military installations in California guarantees that the in-state expertise to integrate this technology into the National Airspace already exists.

The State of California fully supports San Diego in the establishment of ranges for the testing of UAS that will enhance the FAA's ability to integrate systems into the national airspace in a timely manner. We thank you for your consideration of San Diego's application, and look forward to an affirmative response and in working with you to ensure that this initiative facilitates the quick, innovative and safe evolution of the unmanned aerial industry.

Sincerely,



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