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Topic: USFG should significantly increase investment in high speed rail.

Saratoga GR (Alex Guo & Michael Ren) vs. Valey Christian DH (Jeremy Dong & Josey Hu)

AFFIRMATIVE

SARATOGA GR

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NEGATIVE

Valey christian DH

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The better debating was done by the AFF from SARATOGA
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Signed: Venketeswara R Kelluri

COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION: Value benefited society ~~benefit~~

The 'AFF' team did excellent job of developing their framework of contentions and articulating their supports their case.

AFF

(Contributions): P2.5'BSA

- * Environmental friendly and efficient and reduces fuel consumption and ^{emission}
- * Increase in jobs for production of train & maintenance
- * Decrease in dependence on fossil fuels
- * Electric magnetic trains increases the competitive edge

- * 28% more fuel efficient
- * Long term fix for fossil fuel issue
- * Excellent refuting skills

Negative

- * Economic domain - Land ~~acquisition~~ ^{issue}
- * \$500 bn initial investment
- * Funding
- * Environmental impacts
- * Excellent refuting skills
- * Highlighted flaws in the 'AFF' Contentions such as \$500bn for building the High Speed trains in US per Dept of Transportation
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Signed: Josey

COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

AFF: A nice plan to raise capital for EM Trains but does fall short of 500B as pointed by opp. This ^{amount} was not refuted. Also between cars/planes/heating/energy/ "E.M Trains" will replace X%.

Opp: Good refutation of all the AFF points. Still ~~job~~poor environment effect of Canada keystone should not stop other environmental projects. Did good in establishing sovereignty tipping scales in your favor

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Signed: Patrick Mill

COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

These all seem like older students than last time

Affirmative Action) **TRIPLE BOTTOM LINE**
Funding is 5.2% tax on airline tickets
Putting money into Amtrak to fund HS rail
Environmental benefit by reducing dependence on fossil fuels
Job increase through the production of HS rail
Reduces dependence on foreign fossil fuels and counteracts depletion
Increase in innovation, competitive edge on other HS rails across the globe

Not debating the possibility of the plan, but whether it has the most benefits (???)
Amtrak made statements specifically stating the number of new jobs they make
HS rail should be top priority for the country
Spewing random "An Inconvenient Truth" arguments
40% of oil comes from OPEC
Revitalization of economy (just like iPhone?)
No Swiss counterplan
Broad statistics and vague informations
"Long-term fix", cannot expect quick solutions?
Attacks statistics with no statistics but it's also urgent?

Neg (gs and Bacon)

No specific money amount specified by AFF - says they did some billions (1.5)
Inefficient govt system to support this plan
"Something famous in society: imminent domain"
Issue with plan timing due to land acquisition 8-10 yrs
\$500 billion dollars to start HS rail production
Lots of recent news drops to back up argument
Environmental impact during building process will increase before it can decrease
Job moves jobs instead of increasing jobs
Costs are still completely off base for AFF
Possibility is important for understanding what the impacts are
The removal of previous railroads is also expensive and not feasible
You're not selling me on this "no new jobs" thing
OPEC statistic is incorrect and skewed
There are other ways to increase innovation and decrease environmental impact

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Prospect GS (Rohan Grover & Mayank Srivastava) vs. Saratoga BY (Rohan Bhardwaj & Jerry Yang)

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Saratoga BY

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Prospect GS

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Signed: N. Grover

COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

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Saratoga BY Prospect GS

35 billion spent

500 billion, results in higher taxes
cuts spending in benefits

Jobs, already exists, only creating

Short term jobs.

Jobs economy tanked. after HS Rail

Amtrak been as waste of money

Amtrak makes \$1 for every \$3 spent
Dogged by scandals.

Fossil Fuel End in 50 years.

2 billion investment

5.6% tax on Airline tickets

Decrease Emission / Decrease depends on
Fossil fuel

(1) Jobs

Benefiting future America

(1) innovation

1) Mayank/Rohan Grover.

Clearly defined negation

New point brought up in last round

is pointed and refuted

2nd new point brought up in last round
is pointed and refuted

1) Rohan Bhardwaj/Jerry Yang

clear communication

well defended in favour

Denied any cross questions in 1st round

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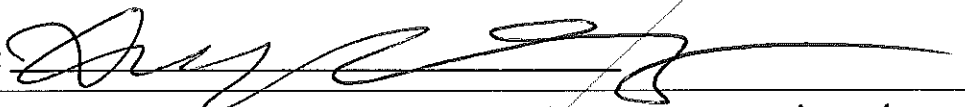
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COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

The resolution is "USFG should significantly increase funding for Amtrak".
~~the~~ Both team made powerful speeches and brought up good points.
I vote for the negative team since I think they had brought up two points against affirmative team's main arguments that are reasonable and ~~did~~ ^{does} not set right if any reasonable response from the affirmative team. One is from the negative team ~~wanting~~ ^{proposing} to fully upgrade the rail to high speed cost 500B while affirmative only propose 2B investment. The other from negative is about improper running of Amtrak as a business and doubt any further investment would be well used.

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COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

AA - Good delivery
Neg - Excellent logic points

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Proteus KK (Rugved Karhade & Kart Krishna) vs. Notre Dame San Jose DN (Meredith Duflock & Divya Nekkanti)

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Notre Dame San Jose DN

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Signed: Willi BA

COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

The affirmative laid each of their potential benefits from an increase in federal funding to port infrastructure out in an organized and evidence-based manner. They mentioned a point about decongested cities that they never addressed again and did not mention at first the idea that states and local government would control specific investments, but picked this up later. Their responses to the negation's claims of misconstruing evidence and ethical claims were well-founded. The first gov. speaker was especially strong.

The negation hardly addressed any of the claims/points made by the affirmative, primarily on the basis that the affirmative's argument had a fatal flaw. This critique, however, was addressed and countered with evidence by the affirmative (the idea that direct gov't investment does not work), and was seemingly based solely on a single quotation. The example they used of a privatized industry needing more money than the affirmative wanted to provide (though the excess from a previous project) was more an example of privatized inefficiency, which seemed to speak to the affirmative's point. The negation spent most of their time speaking about ethical issues that did not exist, by my perception.

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Signed: Daniel P. Kelly

Port Infrastructure

COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

Aff: Very clear
Multiple evidence sources; relevant
Strong Discreet points
Straightforward; easy to follow their logic
Responded well to Neg's points or lack thereof.

Neg: Interesting approach; then bogged in contradictions
Bogged down in debate terminology rather than actually debating
Very repetitive - of minor points
Pushed the moral foundation
and then ethical voting issue to an extent that
undercut stronger points they could have made
Fuzzy speaking style

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COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

I did NOT buy the K. You NEVER explained difference between your govt spending and theirs. In addition, the Neg committed the cardinal sin of debate: NEG AFFIRMED the resolution. Neg CP involves govt spending money into a specific industry (shipping) which is what the resolution calls for! You did Aff's job for them!

Aff: Don't use so much rhetoric: stick to your debate. C.P. affirmed, and Aff effectively linked, impacted out, and extended their case throughout. Clear Aff victory in a round where both sides are affirming the resolution. Don't complain about debate jargon, though. It's inevitable in the higher levels of debate and judges do not take kindly to it.

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Washington SM

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Signed: Lilly Hackworth

COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

The affirmative relied heavily on the point that the high speed rail would save lives by clearing congestion (according to a study statistic that said 2/3 of adults would take the highspeed rail if it was available). However, the negation did a good job of countering these claims and others (e.g. environmental impacts) with breakdowns of where deaths are coming from and how the highspeed rail would create new issues (eminent domain concerns, environmental impact of construction higher than ^{current} impact). The negative speakers were very rhetorically strong.

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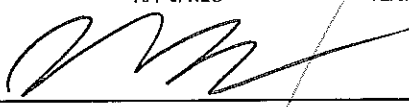
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COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:



Excellent debate with plentiful relevant clash on both ends. Ultimately, I vote neg on the time spec. I am not convinced that with all these imminent domestic cases, that this plan will be implemented in time to claim all these benefits.

In addition, Keynesian economics does not mean that an underfunded project will fund what it's meant to. It does not mean that 100 billion dollar investment will be enough to cover a 500 billion dollar project.

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Signed:

Manveer Singh

COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

High Speed Rail

- *Very close in many areas - Both teams competent debaters, both spoke clearly and thoughtfully, both raised strong points and followed debate structure
- *Aff - won in final wrap speech in noting that neg failed to address HARM of traffic congestion and harm of CO2 emissions as well as neg needed to support claim re ridership link to rail ticket cost.
- *Neg - great point - on impact calculus but prison system not the best parallel, nor in China.

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Evergreen ZS (^AMarek Zielinski & ^APoojan Shukla) vs. San Marin RC (^ABen Rasmussen & ^BPeter Cervantes)

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Ben Rasmussen Peter Cervantes
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COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

Aff - Great points

Arg - Good delivery / flow

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San Marin RC

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COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

Topic: USGF Should significantly increase investment in high-speed rail

Investment - in ^{North} Eastern corridor

- 1) Jobs (175 thousand)
- 2) Life (89 people die everyday in US)
- 3) Environment. HS will run on electricity which is eco-friendly

Land cost is reimbursed
6000 life is saved every year, by building HS rail
2 million ton of carbon dioxide are taken out of environment
North Eastern corridor is more dense
No concrete evidence, full efficient cars will be there in future

Poojan / Marek

- 1) Very clear speech,
- 2) well defended in favor
- 3) confidence is high

- 1) Jobs: implicit cost, Build through crowded places. Displaced housing, jobs are temporary.
- 2) Life: Small portion of US, Environmental cost 70 years it will take to harmful environment will not be saving life.

3) Environment: not cure all problems.
67.6 billion (SF ↔ LA), 14 years.
More, fuel efficient cars will be ready later.
Not cost effective, 1:3 (return: investment)
increase national debt

Ben / Peter

- 1) clear communication
- 2) good argument against

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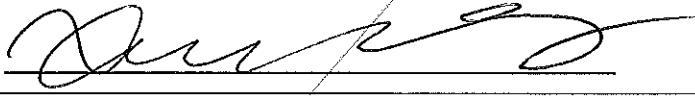
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COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

The resolution is "USFG should significantly increase investment in high speed rail".

I think this is a very good debate and both sides are doing great jobs. ~~I think~~ and it is very close. I think the Affirmative win since in general they present a relative more convincing set of arguments and are able to rebuttal the attack from the negative team especially from the last speech on how the money will be raised, why the high speed uses electricity would be beneficial to environment vs just electrical car. ~~And~~

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Washington TS (Abhinav Tripathy & Rahul Sheth) vs. Irvington MM (Sampreet Moturi & Rishabh Meswani)

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COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

net benefits to USA

The 'AFF' team articulated their case with very good supporting contentions and refuted opponent claims and hence won this round

Abhinav

Delivery: Excellent
persuading skills: Very good
Rebuttal skills: Excellent

Rahul

Delivery: Very good
persuading skills: Very good
Contentions: Good

~~Sampreet~~

Contentions: (1) Loss of jobs because of job outsourcing

Sampreet: Very well articulated
framework
Delivery/persuading skills:
Rebuttal skills:

Rishabh

Delivery: good

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Orange ties

Plaid ties

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COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

Aff (leak) The "Judge" Team
Needs to slow down, makes it difficult to understand
causes lots of verbal stumbles
Large ships: need for larger ports
"Modernization"
"THE WHOLE WORLD SUFFERS" E.O.
1st speaker not wearing suit, lack of consistency
Long term solution, big costs now for big gains later
Radiation check for contraband??? Also nuclear weapons
Lots of repetition due to speed of talking
Will solve American debt???
Strong data counterpoints
Please stop addressing me as "Judge" - verbal tick?
ook, "fallacy of outsourcing" ICE BURN
Increasing port manufacturing increases local manufacturing
and hits the advantage of the neg side
Dropping some serious quotes
Also stop calling me "Judge"
Just because trade is big in the US doesn't mean
we can't improve it
Okay I was with you until you brought up that dumb
analogy, stick to facts

"The Port and Needy"

Neg (PUA) The "Fiat" Team
~~Counterplan? Is that even legit?~~ vocab slip
1st speaker also suffers from speed stuttering
"Mexican drug cartels" E.O. Drugs come from Mexico
Encouraging ports is encouraging outsourcing
"THEY'RE STEALING OUR JOBS"
Waste of money on an established system,
encouraging outsourcing
Now, counterplan made to shove money into
local manufacturing and decrease imports
Went overtime for 1st speaker
If 80% of trade is already coming through
America, what is there to change?
Conflicting statistics on quality of ports - this wasn't
gone anywhere
Oh man, this guy has a super Speed Stutter
"PERMANENT JOBS"
Focus on majority of drug trade, not minority
"Why should we help other countries, that
doesn't help us" 
"Fighting our plan shows we have a better
plan and greater preparation"
Tax revenue increases, gives us money
"It's for generations of jobs we're saving the future"

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COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

- 1, 2 increased vessel size for efficiency
ports are D/D-
- 3 eco boost
- 4 drop and Arms Scanning
- 5 improve ports around the world.

outsourcing
manufacturing subsidy locally in US
ports are 5.7/7

AFF: Presented a good plan showing ^{ROI} ~~benefits~~ of greater Port Spending, along with job growth and other eco benefits.

Opp: team did try ~~and~~ to counter but unable to establish

Clearcut benefits of alternative plan on how SOB spent on manufacturing will stay local. water is not countering a point. Saying insignificant (23%) or does not hold
Discounting the point on whether ports are D- or 5.7, AFF benefits outweigh opp: benefits

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Mountain View PM (Yashwant Parmar & Zoe Morgan) vs. Irvington BD (Abhinav Bhardwaj & Nishanth Dara)

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COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

Resolution: USFG should significantly increase investment in high speed rail.

The resolution states "significantly" increase investment. The AFF Team did not define "significantly". \$37 billion in CA is not significant when compared to \$500 billion for a rail system across the entire U.S., as stated by the Neg Team.

Neg Team stated only 5% of the population would use rail on a monthly basis; this is not justification for rail investment.

Neg Team stated that by the year 2025, airplanes would be more efficient than rail.

Due to Eminent Domain issues, acquiring land for rail will be prohibitive in terms of timeframe for rail as stated by the Neg Team.

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COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

1 High speed - 125m/hr

Net benefits criteria

Current \$37BB (A)

2023 - net op \$223B

res 1 Safety
2 Environment

* Good example of other economies
China/Japan

3 Infrastructure/economic growth

4 Economic growth - jobs;
reduces dependence on oil

3 good clarification on definition
of resolution to Counter Rebuttal

11 train & plane can coexist
existing railroad in fiasco

2 Feds don't fund state specific
transition
- 37M in CA not significant

disadv
+ pt 1 not func. In US, large country
more exp → eminent domain land
3 Environmental
- 30 yrs to break even
- emissions -

4 plane travel better cheaper in future
5 no real uptake

[good counters!!!
- no safety concerns
- env. cost of buildg menu.

(- good thing!!

4 Significance of 37m??
CA - not successful so far

GREAT DEBATE!!
BOOTH CALL!

NEG

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Irvington BD

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- ① Nishanth
- ② Abhinav

Mountain View PM

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- ① Zoe
- ② Yashwant

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COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

Neg team wins hands down. Made strong presentations overall, strong contentions and had strong defense of their contentions.

+ Speakers are good.

- Could not ^{defend} overcome some of the arguments made by the opponents

- + Both are strong presenters.
- + Clear delineation of points
- + Strong evidence cited.

Stronger arguments include:

- Planes vs. trains efficiency.
- Stronger defense of E.D.

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Leland TM (Charles Tang & Madhukar Muralidhara) vs. Bentley PP (Shane Pracar & Alexis Pracar)

AFFIRMATIVE

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Bentley

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- ① Alexis Pracar
- ② Shane Pracar

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Bentley PP

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Leland

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- ① Charles Tang
- ② Madhukar Muralidhara.

COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

While both are Strong teams, AFF wins as they presented a Clear Case, but more importantly presented the best defense of their arguments.

+ Shane Best Speaker

+ AFF teams point by point ^{re} rebuttals
are very strong.

+ Charles v. Strong presenter

+ Best Openings I have seen so far in the tournaments.

A good strong open arguments however they were all rebutted by AFF teams effectively.

Strong points

Amtrak never showing a Profit

How does the money get used? *?*

Except for these 2, all other arguments are addressed.

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COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

AFF

better gov services

NEG

double funding - \$3BB
✓ good ground laying for Amtrak
better services w/ funding
① safety - maintenance - better railroads
② environmental - biofuel investment
③ jobs/economy - govt. profitable sector
new jobs w/ new projects
great pt!! ← everyone benefits

Counter

→ great point by point rebuttal
→ good control of speed to get through all points.

→ great close!!
Counting all pts

← where # coming from
← State legislation can deny USFG, specifically
- no current problem - why fund?
- empty trains
over source - Amtrak
jobs lost in auto industry.
- don't funding already failing
not environmental if empty train cars

- 119 crashes is not a security concern
- no guarantee that more ppl use amtrak
- amtrak in debt
- cannot let auto industry die out.

- funding sources - good pt on
first need to change how amtrak spends

Winner
Amtrak

Cost of increased
safety/economy
very minimal impact to USFG budget

benefits
win!!

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Bentley PP (Shane Pracar & Alexis Pracar) vs. Leland TM (Charles Tang & Madhukar Muralidhara)

AFFIRMATIVE

NEGATIVE

Bentley

NAME OF AFFIRMATIVE TEAM OR CONTESTANT

Leland

NAME OF NEGATIVE TEAM OR CONTESTANT

The better debating was done by the AFF from Bentley
AFF or NEG TEAM OR CONTESTANT NAME

Signed: Thomas Ong

COMMENTS & REASON FOR DECISION:

Resolution: USFCA should significantly increase funding for AmTrak

AFF Team's plan included spending for safety, Environment, and Jobs & Economy. AFF team stated that there have been 119 crashes; Neg team stated that 119 crashes is ~~is~~ insignificant & that safety is not a concern - this is an irresponsible statement by the Neg Team; any crash that can cause ~~loss~~ loss of life is certainly significant!

AFF Team stated a time frame by 6/1/2014. Neg Team erroneously stated that AFF Team did not give any timeframe.

AFF Team outlined where the money will be spent. However, the Neg Team still asked where is the money is spent.

AFF Team stated the increased funding would come from the Dept of Transportation. Yet, the Neg Team still asked where is the money coming from.