**Thesis Statement:**

I am in favor of the Bullet Train because I have seen its benefits in Europe. Furthermore, it will help develop economically Central Valley and develop more jobs. Also, it will decrease the travel time from San Francisco to Los Angeles. Moreover, it will decrease traffic on the San Francisco to Los Angeles highway. Similarly, it will promote the economic interaction of the Bay Area and Southern California. It will promote sustainable development and it will reduce reliance on the automobile overall resulting in changing the culture of using the car in Southern California.

**Resources:**

1) ProQuest. 2013. “Can California Taxpayers Dodge the Bullet Train?” Accessed October 20, 2017.

<https://search-proquest-com.libproxy2.usc.edu/docview/1346773715?accountid=14749&rfr_id=info%3Axri%2Fsid%3Aprimo>

This article is relevant to my policy essay because it brings up the issue that the high-speed train should not depend on subsidies from the state of California. Furthermore, it mentions that the train needs to follow the plan approved by voters in November 2008.

2) ProQuest. 2016. “Spain, United States: Ferrovial emerges to bag high-speed rail deal in California.” Acessed October 20, 2017.

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This article talks about Ferrovial Agroman US Corp company that submitted a bid for the train project. The total cost of the train will be $347.6 million dollars.

3) ProQuest. 2011. “California’s Bullet Train: To the Future or to Nowhere?” Accessed October 20, 2017.

<https://search-proquest-com.libproxy1.usc.edu/docview/868212414?accountid=14749&rfr_id=info%3Axri%2Fsid%3Aprimo>

This article is relevant to my policy essay because it talks about the negative aspects of the construction phase of the train. It has a lot of estimates about the amount of rides and the revenue is going to genereate.

4) ProQuest. 2013. “Bullet Train: Why Do We Need One?” Accessed October 20, 2017.

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This article is questioning the investment of the bullet train. The author of the article is skeptic about the funding of this project and it criticizes the state tax bills.

5) ProQuest. 2012. “U.S. News: For Now, Bullet Train May Go Nowhere” Accessed October 20, 2017.

<https://search-proquest-com.libproxy1.usc.edu/docview/1024087243?accountid=14749&rfr_id=info%3Axri%2Fsid%3Aprimo>

This article talks about the issue of getting funding for the bullet train in California. It talks about California politicians not being sure about the funding and Congressional Republicans opposing to the high-speed rail across the country.