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April 27th, 2021

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding to facilitate the replacement of Bridge 25501 in Goodhue County in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The lead project sponsor for this project is Goodhue County, and the project is located in rural Belvidere Township on CSAH 2 in ZIP code 55066.

The funding is designated to help the County replace Bridge 25501, which is located on a 'Major Collector' highway. The bridge was built in 1966, has an average of 400 vehicles crossing it a day. The bridge's deck is a series of concrete open girders with a third of the deck's underside having exposed rebar. The bridge has steel columns holding up the middle of the bridge that are severely deteriorated resulting in a load posting that restricts the weight of vehicles crossing it. This bridge's condition is poor enough to meet Federal bridge funding requirements.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and aligns directly with the Committee's ongoing efforts to bring our nation's bridges into a state of good repair. A failure of the bridge would be a significant problem for the County and the family farmers and other users of the bridge in this rural area that are dependent on reliable infrastructure to get their products to market.

I strongly encourage your inclusion of this project in upcoming federal surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

Pursuant to House Rule XXIII, clause 17, and in accordance with the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure Chair and Ranking Member guidance, I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Angie Craig
Member of Congress
April 27, 2021