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The Honorable Peter Buttigieg  
Secretary, US Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington D.C., 20590

Subject: Bridge Investment Program Planning and Bridge Project Grants (BIP) 2023/24 - 145th N Bridge Replacement, Bonneville County, Idaho

Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

The Bonneville County Commissioners would like to voice our supports of the application for funding the 145th N Bridge Replacement Project. Our commission stands committed to seeing that the funding for matching is made available through our counties funds and other local sources, and we are dedicated to tackle reasonable overaged that may occur in this planning program. We know the significant impact that this project will have, and help in keeping our agricultural sector's vitality, as well as enhance the growth of our historically disadvantaged region. Seeing this project funded would relieve us from a maintenance burden and allow us to leverage these federal funds to replace a bridge we would otherwise not be able to replace.


Additionally, the funds we are requesting through this program are to help us understand better the feasibility of bridge replacement and align our counties (both Bonneville and Jefferson) to a common goal and funding outlook. Through this joint application, we all want to see our region prosper and grow and having a resilient and safe transportation system is at the roots of it.

Approval of this grant will improve safety, economic growth, and livability in our underserved and rural areas of Bonneville and Jefferson Counties. We ask that you seriously consider this BIP Planning Grant application. We look forward to your support.

Sincerely,

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