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The Honorable Tom Latham
United States Representative
2217 Rayburn Building
Washington, D.C. 20515-1505

Dear Congressman Latham:

I am requesting your support for special funding for a priority transportation project located in your district, the construction of the relocated four-lane U.S. 20 expressway in Calhoun County, Iowa.

The Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT) believes this project is worthy of additional funding which would help ensure its timely completion and provide a more immediate benefit to the traveling public. This project is included in the 2009-2012 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and the 2009-2013 Iowa (DOT) Transportation Improvement Program.

This project has been developed in accordance with all federal requirements pertaining to providing the public the opportunity to comment on the project.

U.S. 20 is a key highway route spanning the state of Iowa and linking it to Illinois to the east and Nebraska to the west.

Eighty percent of the overall project costs will be covered by federal highway program (NHS and STP) funds and high priority project funds, should they be made available, with the 20 percent balance of the cost coming from state highways funds.

Should you have any questions or need additional information about this project, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nancy J. Richardson".

Nancy J. Richardson
Director

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