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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the *I-27 / I-14 Future Interstate System Connection Study* in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Ports-to-Plains Alliance, located at the project address in San Angelo, Texas 76901. The funding would be used for planning, feasibility analysis, and engineering studies to evaluate and design the optimal Interstate-standard connection between Future Interstate 27 and Interstate 14 in West Texas. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it supports long-term infrastructure planning that will improve freight mobility, enhance military readiness, reduce congestion, and strengthen economic development across the region while ensuring future construction investments are data-driven and cost-effective.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized under **23 U.S.C. § 133(b)(10)**, which permits the use of federal surface transportation funds for transportation planning and development activities, including feasibility studies and corridor planning on the National Highway System.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



August Pfluger
Member of Congress

