

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

April 29th, 2024

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg Secretary Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, S.E. Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

I write in support of the application that the North Central Pennsylvania Regional Planning and Development Commission has submitted to the Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant (MPDG) program. The North Central Pennsylvania Regional Planning and Development Commission is collaborating with PennDOT districts 2-0 and 10-0, as well as Cameron, Clearfield, Elk, Jefferson, McKean and Potter counties.

Funds will support efforts to address the urgent rehabilitation and replacement needs for six locally owned and prioritized bridges in the region. This project will provide a solution to the crisis of poor condition local bridges in the region, while promoting economic growth, enhancing public safety, and improving quality of life. Specifically, the project will focus on the following bridges: Steam Mill Road Bridge in Lumber Township, Cameron County; T-748 Mosquito Creek Bridge in Karthaus Township, Clearfield County; Caledonia Pike Bridge in Jay Township, Elk County; Kramer Road Bridge in McCalmont Township, Jefferson County; Arnold Avenue Bridge, Port Allegany, McKean County; and Big Moore's Run Bridge, Homer Township, Potter County. These bridges are critical links between communities and are vital for emergency services, schools, and local businesses. The consequences of failing to repair these bridges would be significant to the community.

I urge you to give the application full and fair consideration. Feel free to contact my office (202) 224-4254 if you have any questions, comments, or concerns. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

John Fetterman United States Senator