Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the Spokane County Argonne Road Intersection project in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is Spokane County and the project is located at 1116 W Broadway Avenue, Spokane, WA 99260.

The funding is designated for improving intersection safety and capacity through the lowest performing intersection in Spokane County.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to be beneficial as Argonne Road is a high-volume Urban Principal Arterial and Upriver Drive is also a high volume Urban Minor Arterial. Improving the intersection at this location would significantly improve safety, traffic flow, reduce delay time, and increase travel reliability. Due to the considerable freight and traffic volume at this intersection a dual lane roundabout is proposed to increase safety traffic flow, capacity, and increase the performance at this intersection. Argonne Road carries a vast amount of daily traffic at an average of 24,854 trips and is one of only a few T-1 truck routes in Spokane County, carrying over 10,000 tons of goods annually.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Cathy McMorris Rodgers
Member of Congress