April 23, 2021

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for Whitman County Kirkendahl/Sand Road Reconstruction and Pullman Truck Bypass Creation project in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is Whitman County and the project is located at 400 N Main Street, Colfax, WA 99111.

The funding is designated for freight movement upgrades, downtown Pullman truck bypass, rural agricultural goods movements, improve regional commerce.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to benefit the region as the reconstruction project represents a much needed agricultural and freight corridor upgrade to facilitate and promote commerce in rural Whitman County while simultaneously reducing heavy truck traffic through downtown Pullman. A south Pullman bypass has been regional goal of Whitman County, the City of Pullman, and local/regional freight and agricultural product carriers for decades.

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

Sincerely,

Cathy McMorris Rodgers
Member of Congress