April 26th, 2021

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the Stanford Avenue Road Reconstruction Project in the surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is the City of Springfield and the project is located at Stanford Avenue from 11th Street to Fox Bridge Road, Springfield, IL 62703. The funding is designated for roadway reconstruction and improvements, bike and pedestrian infrastructure, and storm sewers along this section.

A new storm sewer with curb and gutter will be constructed along Stanford Avenue and will outlet into the Bunn Park pond on the north side of the road. A bike path will be constructed along the north side of the road and a 4' sidewalk will be placed on the south. Other improvements include the realignment of Fox Bridge Road and a new intersection at Stanford, entrance construction, short retaining walls, and intersection signal improvements on the east leg of Stanford and 11th Street.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits. This project provides a needed pedestrian link between the City’s trail network and the central city core. It improves an existing transportation corridor from an oil and chip road with surface drainage to an improved urban section with storm sewer.

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

Sincerely,

Rodney Davis
Member of Congress