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Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the *Route 63*, *Route 64 and I-84 Westbound Exit 17 Improvement Project* in surface transportation reauthorization legislation. The project sponsor for this project is the Connecticut Department of Transportation and the project is located in Middlebury, Connecticut.

The funding is designated to modify the I-84 westbound off-ramp at Exit 17, install a new traffic signal at the intersection of State Route 845 and Route 64, construct a new two-way connector (Chase Parkway Extension) between Route 63 and Route 64 and provide a new Park and Ride facility and multi-use trail. Route 63 is proposed to be widened to two (2) lanes. Route 64 is proposed to be widened to provide two (2) lanes westbound and one (1) lane eastbound beginning at the intersection of Route 63 to State Route 845.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to address safety and operational concerns associated with traffic delays and crashes within the project limits encompassing the I-84, Exit 17 westbound off-ramp terminus, Route 63 and Route 64.

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

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Sincerely,

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