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Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the *Harbor Brook Bridge (No. 04185) Replacement Project* in surface transportation reauthorization legislation. The project sponsor for this project is the Connecticut Department of Transportation and the project is located in Meriden, Connecticut.

This project will replace Bridge No. 04185 carrying Center Street over Harbor Brook in Meriden, Connecticut, with a hydraulically adequate structure that will reduce the occurrence of upstream flooding. The bridge is currently rated in poor condition. This project is the final phase of a multi-phase project initiated to address long standing flooding issues in the city of Meriden's urban center. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to increase public safety.

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

Sincerely,