

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-4305

December 2, 2016

The Honorable Anthony Foxx
Secretary of Transportation
Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue Southeast
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Foxx:

I am writing to express my support for the FASTLANE application for the IH35W North Tarrant Expressway Segment 3C (North Tarrant Expressway) project submitted to the United States Department of Transportation by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT).

As you and your staff review the proposal, I trust you will give full consideration to the many strengths of this application. As you may know, the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington metropolitan area is one of the largest in the nation. TxDOT has proposed five projects dealing with right of way acquisition, adding U-turn bridges, adding interchange frontage road, replacing interchange bridges, and incorporating drainage improvements that will provide operational improvements to facilitate the safe and efficient movement of freight traffic and enhance local connectivity. Part of these improvements will have not only a regional importance, but also a national one, as a section of the North Tarrant Expressway accesses AllianceTexas, one of Dallas/Fort Worth's major regional job creators. Alliance is an 18,000-acre master-planned, mixed-use community whose cornerstone is the Alliance Global Logistics Hub. The Hub is an inland port that offers multimodal transportation access for freight and passenger traffic, including Class I railroads (BNSF and UP), intermodal facilities, and the Fort Worth Alliance Airport, which is the world's first 100 percent industrial airport specifically designed for cargo, corporate and government aviation.

As one of the largest export markets in the United States, the Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington region requires mobility and supporting transportation infrastructure to remain competitive. This grant, if awarded, would enable TxDOT to begin working on these critical improvements, accelerating the mobility and economic benefits to communities and businesses by twenty years.

I would appreciate your efforts to ensure that I am kept informed of the progress of this application. Please contact Andrea McGee (Andrea_McGee@cornyn.senate.gov), my Grants Coordinator, with any developments regarding this proposal as soon as they are available.

Thank you for your assistance and consideration.

Sincerely,

JOHN CORNYN
TEXAS

United States Senate
WASHINGTON, DC 20510-4305

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JOHN CORNYN
United States Senator

KAY GRANGER
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December 1, 2016

The Honorable Anthony R. Foxx
Secretary
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: TxDOT's FY2017 FASTLANE application for IH35W North Tarrant Express

Dear Secretary Foxx,

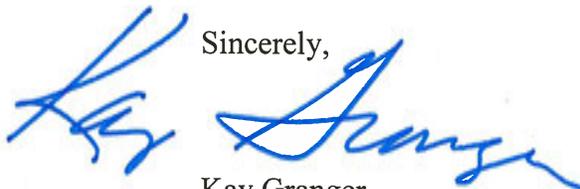
I would like to express my strong support for the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) FASTLANE application for the IH35W North Tarrant Express Segment 3C project, which will advance project elements that are important to stakeholders along the IH35W corridor.

TxDOT's FASTLANE funding request would cover five project elements that facilitate the safe and efficient movement of freight traffic, while also enhancing local connectivity, access to jobs, and general mobility. These proposed project elements are part of the larger IH35W North Tarrant Express (NTE) Ultimate configuration.

Without FASTLANE funding, TxDOT will have to delay these additions to the NTE Ultimate configuration. Awarding this project will mean accelerating the mobility and economic benefits to communities and businesses.

I would like to emphasize my support for this regionally and nationally important project. Thank you for your consideration of the IH35W North Tarrant Express Segment 3C project for the FASTLANE program.

Sincerely,



Kay Granger
Member of Congress

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-4333

December 6, 2016

The Honorable Anthony R. Foxx
Secretary
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: TxDOT's FY2017 FASTLANE application for IH35W North Tarrant Express

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I emphasize my support of this regionally and nationally important project, and thank you for your consideration and hopeful selection of the IH35W North Tarrant Expressway Segment 3C project for the FASTLANE program.

Sincerely,

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Marc Veasey
Member of Congress



GIOVANNI CAPRIGLIONE
TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
DISTRICT 98

December 7, 2016

The Honorable Anthony R. Foxx
Secretary
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Sincerely,

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Giovanni Capriglione
Texas State Representative
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December 12, 2016

The Honorable Anthony R. Foxx
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Sincerely,

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Mac Churchill
Chairman, 35W Coalition

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Charlie Geren

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December 5, 2016

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I emphasize my support of this regionally and nationally important project, and thank you for your consideration and hopeful selection of the IH35W North Tarrant Expressway Segment 3C project for the FASTLANE program.

Respectfully yours,

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Charlie Geren

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December 5, 2016

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Sincerely,


Bob Golden
Mayor



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Sincerely,

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James Hudson

General Manager, Martin Brower LLC



REPRESENTATIVE MATT KRAUSE

— District 93 • Tarrant County —

December 19th, 2016

The Honorable Anthony R. Foxx
Secretary
U.S. Department of Transportation
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REPRESENTATIVE MATT KRAUSE

— District 93 • Tarrant County —

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I emphasize my support of this regionally and nationally important project and thank you for your consideration and hopeful selection of the IH35W North Tarrant Expressway Segment 3C project for the FASTLANE program.

Sincerely,

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December 12, 2016

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Sincerely,

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L. Russell Laughlin
Executive Vice President

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The Senate of the State of Texas

Jane Nelson
Senate District 12

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HEALTH BENEFIT PLANS

December 8, 2016

The Honorable Anthony R. Foxx
Secretary
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Foxx:

I am writing to express my support for the Texas Department of Transportation's FASTLANE application for the IH35W North Tarrant Expressway Segment 3C project in Tarrant County, which will advance construction elements along this route which are of particular importance to stakeholders along the IH35W corridor.

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Without FASTLANE funding, TxDOT will have to delay these additions to the NTE Ultimate configuration until 2040 or beyond. I appreciate your consideration of this vitally important project, and please do not hesitate to contact my office if I can be of any assistance.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jane Nelson".

Senator Jane Nelson



November 29, 2016

The Honorable Anthony R. Foxx
Secretary of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: TxDOT's FY2017 FASTLANE application for IH35W North Tarrant Express

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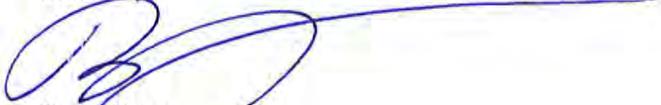
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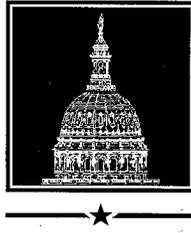


Betsy Price
Mayor



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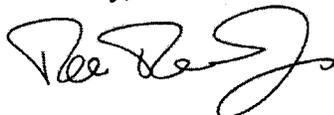
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I wholly support this regionally and nationally important project, and thank you for your consideration and hopeful selection of the IH35W North Tarrant Expressway Segment 3C project for the FASTLANE program.

Sincerely,

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Ramon Romero Jr.
Texas State Representative, District 90



B. GLEN WHITLEY
COUNTY JUDGE
of
TARRANT COUNTY

November 29, 2016

The Honorable Anthony R. Foxx
U.S. Department of Transportation
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RE: TxDOT's FY2017 FASTLANE application for IH35W North Tarrant Express

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Sincerely,

B. Glen Whitley
Tarrant County Judge



Colby R. Tanner
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December 15, 2016

The Honorable Anthony Foxx, Secretary
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.
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RE: Interstate Highway 35W North Tarrant Express (NTE) FASTLANE Grant Application

Dear Secretary Foxx,

The I-35W corridor is an important freight route for the state and a critical link to our Alliance facility, the premier rail freight facility in North Texas. Since the facility's opening in 1994, BNSF has invested in this facility supporting intermodal freight growth in North Texas. In 2015, the Alliance Facility handled nearly 650,000 lifts of intermodal units, the fourth highest total among BNSF's network of intermodal facilities. Every lift is one fewer truck trip on Texas and US roadways.

Separately, BNSF is executing approximately \$60 million in expansion projects at the Alliance facility, planned for completion in 2017. Adding this rail capacity will keep even more trucks off Texas and US roads annually.

The rail freight activity conducted at Alliance directly contributes to the strength of our North Texas economy while keeping trucks off of Texas and US highways. BNSF and its customers cannot realize the full value of the Alliance terminal and our latest expansion without the completion of the public roadway improvements outlined in this grant application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Colby R. Tanner", enclosed within a blue circular scribble.

Colby R. Tanner