

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

May 18, 2015

Honorable Anthony R. Foxx, Secretary
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue S. E.
Washington, D.C. 20590

RE: TIGERID jlewisndg732

Dear Secretary Foxx:

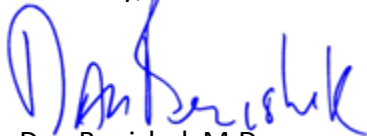
I write to you today in support of the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant proposal recently submitted by the Crawford County Road Commission, located in Grayling, Michigan.

These funds will be used to expand the I-75/North Down River Road from half access to full in order to better serve the nearby Camp Grayling, the regional hospital, and support the newly expanding downtown area. Rehabilitation of the interstate will begin with the reduction of traffic congestion, improving the capacity of connecting roadways, and providing multi-modal connections for residents, tourists, military personnel, and travelers alike.

As representative to Michigan's 1st Congressional District, I understand how important the free flow of goods and people are to our economy. These funds are a vital component to Crawford County's future success as a business center, a travel destination, and a home for Northern Michigan residents. And that path to success begins right here: with the procurement of the TIGER grant on behalf of the businesses, families, and charities, who depend on it.

I trust you will give the merits of this proposal adequate consideration.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress
Michigan's 1st District

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