



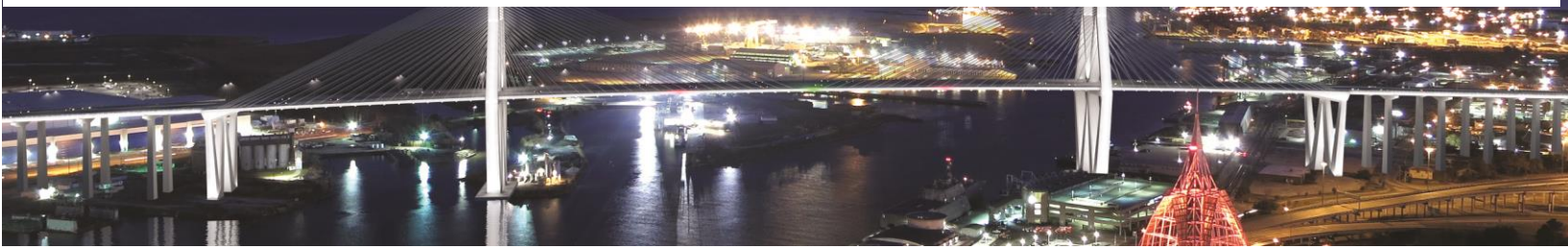
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FY 2025-2026 Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant Opportunity (MPDG)



I-10 MOBILE RIVER BRIDGE AND BAYWAY MULTIMODAL PROJECT

Letters of Support



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STATE OF ALABAMA

April 2, 2024

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1409 Coliseum Boulevard
Montgomery, AL 36110

RE: 2024 MEGA Grant Application Support
I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

Dear Director Cooper:

Thank you for your letter requesting endorsement of the Alabama Department of Transportation's Mega Grant application through the U.S. Department of Transportation.

The I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is an important transportation infrastructure project that will improve mobility, safety, security, and efficiency along the I-10 corridor in Mobile and Baldwin Counties in Southwest Alabama.

The South Alabama region is experiencing tremendous growth – the Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is vital and will provide great benefits for citizens, travelers, and businesses, as well as regional and interstate commerce.

I fully support ALDOT's efforts to help fund and deliver the Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project.

Thank you for your leadership on this important endeavor.

Sincerely,

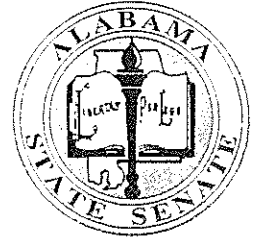
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Kay Ivey
Governor



MOBILE COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION OFFICE

104 South Lawrence Street
Mobile, Alabama 36602
Telephone: 251-208-5480



August 14, 2023

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

RE: 2023 MEGA Grant Application Support
I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

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We want to take this opportunity to express our support for the Alabama Department of Transportation's MEGA Grant application through the U.S. Department of Transportation.

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We kindly request that the Alabama Department of Transportation's application be given every consideration for funding. If you need any further assistance or additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.


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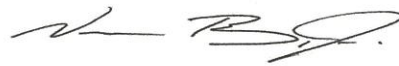
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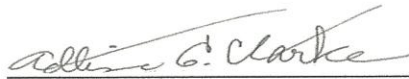
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Representative J.M. "Margie" Wilcox



Representative Mark Shirey



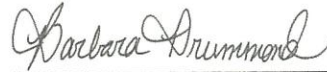
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Representative Chris Pringle



Representative Barbara Drummond



Representative Shane Stringer



Representative Chip Brown



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REP. MARGIE WILCOX
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August 9, 2023

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

RE: 2023 MEGA Grant Application Support
I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

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I respectfully request that the Alabama Department of Transportation's application be given every consideration for funding. If I may be of further assistance, please don't hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

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Representative Margie Wilcox



U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC

May 23, 2022

Mr. John R. Cooper
Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1409 Coliseum Blvd
Montgomery, AL 36110-2060

Dear Mr. Cooper,

I would like to take this opportunity to offer my strong support for the Alabama Department of Transportation's MEGA Grant application through the U.S. Department of Transportation.

The I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is an important transportation infrastructure project that will tremendously improve mobility, safety, security, and efficiency along the I-10 corridor in Mobile and Baldwin Counties in Southwest Alabama.

Corridor studies identified needs and strategies to improve freight operations and mobility throughout the I-10 corridor, which connects eight states. The South Alabama region is experiencing tremendous growth – the Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is vital and will provide great benefits for all constituents in Alabama's First Congressional District, travelers, and businesses, as well as regional and interstate commerce.

I respectfully request that the Alabama Department of Transportation's application be given every consideration for funding. If you feel that I may be of further assistance or can provide you with any additional information, please don't hesitate to let me know.

With kind regards, I am,

Sincerely,

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Jerry Carl
Member of Congress

JC/bj



The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary
United States Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

Attention: Paul Baumer, Office of the Secretary

RE: MEGA Grant Application Support
Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of the Alabama State Port Authority board of directors and management team, I am writing to support the Alabama Department of Transportation's MEGA Grant application through the U.S. Department of Transportation to support the I-10 Mobile River Bride and Bayway project. The Alabama State Port Authority is the statutory agency over navigation at Alabama's only deep-water seaport, the Port of Mobile. The Port Authority also owns the public seaport facilities that represents approximately forty-five percent of the total cargo volume moving through the Port of Mobile. The Port of Mobile is currently ranked the 11th largest U.S. seaport in total trade averaging 58 million tons annually.

The I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is a critical transportation infrastructure project that will improve mobility, safety, security, and efficiency along the I-10 corridor in the Northern Gulf of Mexico states. This corridor connects both public travel and commerce tied to eight states. The corridor also serves as a connector to northbound interstate systems that reach markets in the Southeast and Midwest U.S. markets. The South Alabama region and the Port of Mobile is experiencing tremendous growth necessitating the need for new infrastructure to address capacity and fluidity of both citizens and interstate commerce.

The public and private seaport terminals at the Port of Mobile are key users of the I-10 corridor. The cargo and vessel activity at the port contribute over 161,000 jobs and \$26 billion in economic value in Alabama alone. The Port of Mobile's growth is tied to organic regional investments in retail/distribution, advanced manufacturing, agribusiness, and mining. The seaport has served as an important gateway into key U.S. markets under the nation's supply chain crisis providing relief to shippers traditionally dependent on West and East coast seaport gateways. As the nation and Congress tackles logistics and infrastructure in our nation, shippers

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have permanently shifted into Mobile to ease congestion and service critical supply chains to keep American businesses competitive. It is equally important to note that Congress and the Administration have recently invested in Mobile's seaport infrastructure to service larger ocean-going vessels calling North American seaports, and in its rail and air cargo infrastructure. The missing piece is vital and necessary improvement to the I-10 corridor.

It is our hope that the U.S. Department of Transportation recognizes the importance of the I-10 corridor at Mobile to the national freight mobility strategy and awards this grant request to the Alabama Department of Transportation. The Alabama State Port Authority stands ready to address questions or provide additional information in support of this critical infrastructure project.

Thank you for your leadership in this important endeavor.

Sincerely,



John C. Driscoll
Director and Chief Executive Officer

C: John R. Cooper, Director, Alabama Department of Transportation
Matthew J. Ericksen, P.E., Southwest Region, Alabama Department of Transportation

STATE OF ALABAMA)

COUNTY OF BALDWIN)

*RESOLUTION #2023-162
OF THE
BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION*

**Resolution of Support for the Alabama Department of Transportation's Mega Grant
Application to Assist in Funding I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project**

WHEREAS, Interstate 10 is a major East-West corridor for commercial and personal vehicles, and is the only interstate highway that connects the East Coast, West Coast, and Gulf Coast of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the portion of Interstate 10 connecting Mobile and Baldwin Counties was initially built for 30,000 vehicles per day, but now services more than 100,000 vehicles on peak days, with traffic volumes growing steadily and continuously; and

WHEREAS, Mobile and Baldwin Counties are home to significant industry, whose workforce and suppliers rely on Interstate 10 to safely move people and goods across Mobile Bay; and

WHEREAS, the Port of Mobile, the Mobile International Airport, and numerous multimodal hubs all are located on Mobile Bay and frequently utilize Interstate 10 helping to stimulate and drive the economy of Mobile and Baldwin Counties, the State of Alabama and the entire Gulf Coast region; and

WHEREAS, traffic and congestion on Interstate 10 will continue to increase, with negative effects on public safety, commerce, and mobility in the region, if no action is taken; and

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Commission agrees on the need for a new bridge over the Mobile River and Mobile Bay and a framework to achieve this goal; and

WHEREAS, the Baldwin County Commission recognizes that President Biden and Congress conceived and enacted the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), which includes a new discretionary grant program designed to address infrastructure challenges of this type and magnitude; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation is committed to improving our nation's infrastructure through the Mega Grant program; and

WHEREAS, this program can be a key funding component to address this crucial infrastructure need of local, regional, and national importance; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION, IN REGULAR SESSION ASSEMBLED, that the Baldwin County Commission supports the Alabama Department of Transportation's application for the Mega Grant and any other sources of federal funding that may become available.

DONE, under the Seal of Baldwin County, Alabama, as affixed on this the 1st day of August 2023.



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Charles F. Gruber, Chairman
Baldwin County Commission

ATTEST:

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Roger H. Rendleman, County Administrator



August 11, 2023

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, Alabama 36618

RE: 2023 MEGA Grant Application Support
I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

Dear Mr. Cooper,

I want to take this opportunity to offer my strong support to the Alabama Department of Transportation's MEGA Grant application through the U.S. Department of Transportation.

The I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is an important transportation infrastructure project to improve mobility, safety, security, and efficiency along the I-10 corridor in Mobile and Baldwin Counties in Southwest Alabama.

Corridor studies identified needs and strategies to improve freight operations and mobility throughout the I-10 corridor, which connects eight states. The South Alabama region is experiencing tremendous growth – the Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is vital and will benefit citizens, travelers, businesses, and regional and interstate commerce significantly.

I respectfully request that the Alabama Department of Transportation's application be given every consideration for funding. If you feel that I may be of further assistance or can provide any additional information, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Gail Quezada

President and CEO

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August 11, 2023

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, Alabama 36618

Dear Mr. Cooper,

Please accept this letter as evidence of my strong support for the Alabama Department of Transportation's MEGA Grant application through the U.S. Department of Transportation.

The I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project is a critical transportation infrastructure project that will greatly improve safety, security, mobility and efficiency along the I-10 corridor through Mobile and Baldwin Counties in Southwest Alabama.

Corridor studies identified needs and strategies to improve freight operations and mobility along the I-10 corridor which connects eight states. The South Alabama region is experiencing tremendous growth. The Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project is vital for regional and interstate commerce while providing great benefits for our citizens, travelers, and businesses.

I respectfully request that the Alabama Department of Transportation's application be given every consideration for funding. If I can be of any further assistance or provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to let me know, 251-928-6387.

Sincerely,



Casey Gay Williams
President & CEO





Dave Piech
Chairman

Robert Bender
Vice Chairman

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April 13, 2022

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

Attention: Matt Ericksen, P.E.

RE: Grant Application Support
I-10 Congestion Relief – Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

Dear Mr. Cooper,

I am writing on behalf of the Florida-Alabama TPO Board in support the Alabama Department of Transportation's grant application through the U.S. Department of Transportation. The I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is an important transportation infrastructure project that will improve mobility, safety, security, and efficiency along the I-10 corridor in Mobile and Baldwin counties in Southwest Alabama.

Corridor studies have identified needs and strategies to improve freight operations and mobility throughout the I-10 corridor, which connects eight states. The South Alabama region is experiencing tremendous growth – the Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is vital and will provide great benefits for citizens, travelers, and businesses, as well as regional and interstate commerce. As a key stakeholder along the corridor, and whose communities will benefit greatly from the infrastructure improvements, the FL-AL TPO Board fully supports efforts to help fund and deliver this key infrastructure.

Thank you for your leadership in this important endeavor. Should you have any questions regarding our endorsement, or if we can support the grant application effort in any other way, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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Dave Piech
Chairman, FL-AL TPO



August 15, 2023

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

RE: 2023 MEGA Grant Application Support
I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

Dear Mr. Cooper,

On behalf of the Mobile Chamber and its more than 1,600 members, representing 100,000 employees, I would like to take this opportunity to offer my strong support the Alabama Department of Transportation's MEGA Grant application through the U.S. Department of Transportation.

The I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is an important transportation infrastructure project that will improve mobility, safety, security, and efficiency along the I-10 corridor in Mobile and Baldwin counties in Southwest Alabama.

Corridor studies identified needs and strategies to improve freight operations and mobility throughout the I-10 corridor, which connects eight states. The current roadways offer the near daily reality of delays, stealing countless hours of work, personal and family time, and it is a black eye for our area in terms of how we are perceived by tourists. The Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is vital and will provide great benefits for citizens, travelers, and businesses, as well as regional and interstate commerce.

I respectfully request that the Alabama Department of Transportation's application be given every consideration for funding. If you feel that I may be of further assistance or can provide you with any additional information, please don't hesitate to let me know.

With kind regards, I am,

Sincerely,

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Bradley Byrne
President and CEO



OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL

August 10, 2023

COUNCIL MEMBERS

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CITY CLERK
LISA C. LAMBERT

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

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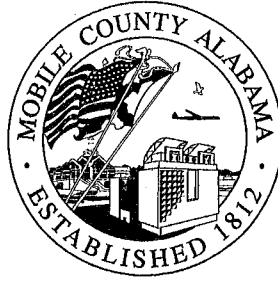
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Sincerely,


Cory Penn
District 1
Mobile City Council

MOBILE COUNTY COMMISSION

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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With kind regards, I am,

Sincerely,

Randall Dueitt, President



South Alabama Regional Planning Commission

William S. Stimpson, Chairman • Charles H. Murphy, Vice-Chairman
James R. Staff, Secretary - Treasurer • John F. Rhodes, Executive Director

August 10, 2023

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With kind regards, I am,

John F. "Rickey" Rhodes
Executive Director



CITY OF CHICKASAW

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August 9, 2023

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Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

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I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

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Sincerely,

Barry Broadhead

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-20

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR MEGA GRANT APPLICATION TO ASSIST IN FUNDING I-10
MOBILE RIVER BRIDGE AND BAYWAY PROJECT

WHEREAS, Interstate 10 is a major East-West corridor for commercial and personal vehicles, and is the only interstate highway that connects the East Coast, West Coast, and Gulf Coast of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the portion of Interstate 10 connecting Mobile and Baldwin Counties was initially built for 30,000 vehicles per day, but now services more than 100,000 vehicles on peak days, with traffic volumes growing steadily and continuously; and

WHEREAS, Mobile and Baldwin Counties are home to significant industry, whose workforce and suppliers rely on Interstate 10 to safely move people and goods across Mobile Bay; and

WHEREAS, the Port of Mobile, the Mobile International Airport, and numerous multimodal hubs all are located on Mobile Bay and frequently utilize Interstate 10 helping to stimulate and drive the economy of Mobile and Baldwin Counties, the State of Alabama and the entire Gulf Coast region; and

WHEREAS, traffic and congestion on Interstate 10 will continue to increase, with negative effects on public safety, commerce, and mobility in the region, if no action is taken; and

WHEREAS, the City of Loxley agrees on the need for a new bridge over the Mobile River and Mobile Bay and a framework to achieve this goal; and

WHEREAS, the City of Loxley recognizes that President Biden and Congress conceived and enacted the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), which includes a new discretionary grant program designed to address infrastructure challenges of this type and magnitude; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation is committed to improving our nation's infrastructure through the Mega Grant program; and

WHEREAS, this program can be a key funding component to address this crucial infrastructure need of local, regional, and national importance; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Loxley supports the Alabama Department of Transportation's application for the Mega Grant and any other sources of federal funding that may become available.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City of Loxley on July 31, 2023.


Richard Teal

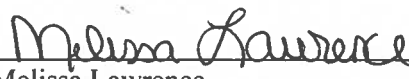
ATTEST:


Melissa Lawrence

Melissa Lawrence
City Clerk/Treasurer

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned qualified and acting Clerk of the City of Loxley, Alabama, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of a resolution lawfully passed and adopted by the City of Loxley Council, at a regular meeting of such council, held on the 31st day of July, 2023, and that said Resolution is on file in the office of the City of Loxley Clerk.


Melissa Lawrence
City Clerk/Treasurer

MARK BARLOW
MAYOR

JESSICA JONES
ASSISTANT CITY CLERK

KENNETH WAITES
FIRE CHIEF



COUNCIL MEMBERS:

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JASON SKELTON, PLACE 3

ALLISON REESE, PLACE 4

EMANUEL L "BUBBA" PHILLIPS,
PLACE 5

August 14, 2023

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Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

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Sincerely,

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Mark Barlow, Mayor
City of Satsuma

RESOLUTION NO. 4793-23

**Resolution of Support for Mega Grant Application to Assist in
Funding I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project**

WHEREAS, Interstate 10 is a major East-West corridor for commercial and personal vehicles, and is the only interstate highway that connects the East Coast, West Coast, and Gulf Coast of the United States; and

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WHEREAS, the Port of Mobile, the Mobile International Airport, and numerous multimodal hubs all are located on Mobile Bay and frequently utilize Interstate 10 helping to stimulate and drive the economy of Mobile and Baldwin Counties, the State of Alabama and the entire Gulf Coast region; and

WHEREAS, traffic and congestion on Interstate 10 will continue to increase, with negative effects on public safety, commerce, and mobility in the region, if no action is taken; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairhope agrees on the need for a new bridge over the Mobile River and Mobile Bay and a framework to achieve this goal; and

WHEREAS, the City of Fairhope recognizes that President Biden and Congress conceived and enacted the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), which includes a new discretionary grant program designed to address infrastructure challenges of this type and magnitude; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation is committed to improving our nation's infrastructure through the Mega Grant program; and

WHEREAS, this program can be a key funding component to address this crucial infrastructure need of local, regional, and national importance; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA, that the City of Fairhope supports the Alabama Department of Transportation's application for the Mega Grant and any other sources of federal funding that may become available.

ADOPTED ON THIS 24TH DAY OF JULY, 2023



Jay Robinson, Council President

Attest:



Lisa A. Hanks, MMC
City Clerk

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR



August 14, 2023

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

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Corridor studies identified needs and strategies to improve freight operations and mobility throughout the I-10 corridor, which connects eight states. The South Alabama region is experiencing tremendous growth – the Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is vital and will provide great benefits for citizens, travelers, and businesses, as well as regional and interstate commerce.

I respectfully request that the Alabama Department of Transportation's application be given every consideration for funding. If you feel that I may be of further assistance or can provide you with any additional information, please don't hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

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William S. Stimpson

RESOLUTION 2297

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SARALAND SUPPORTING THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S GRANT APPLICATION TO ASSIST IN FUNDING I-10 MOBILE RIVER BRIDGE AND BAYWAY PROJECT

Support for the ALDOT MEGA Grant Application for the I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

WHEREAS, Interstate 10 is a major East-West corridor for commercial and personal vehicles, and is the only interstate highway that connects the East Coast, West Coast, and Gulf Coast of the United States; and

WHEREAS, the portion of Interstate 10 connecting Mobile and Baldwin Counties was initially built for 30,000 vehicles per day, but now services more than 100,000 vehicles on peak days, with traffic volumes growing steadily and continuously; and

WHEREAS, Mobile and Baldwin Counties are home to significant industry, whose workforce and suppliers rely on Interstate 10 to safely move people and goods across Mobile Bay; and

WHEREAS, the Port of Mobile, the Mobile International Airport, and numerous multimodal hubs all are located on Mobile Bay and frequently utilize Interstate 10 helping to stimulate and drive the economy of Mobile and Baldwin Counties, the State of Alabama and the entire Gulf Coast region; and

WHEREAS, traffic and congestion on Interstate 10 will continue to increase, with negative effects on public safety, commerce, and mobility in the region, if no action is taken; and

WHEREAS, the City of Saraland agrees on the need for a new bridge over the Mobile River and Mobile Bay and a framework to achieve this goal; and

WHEREAS, the City of Saraland recognizes that President Biden and Congress conceived and enacted the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), which includes a new discretionary grant program designed to address infrastructure challenges of this type and magnitude, and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation is committed to improving our nation's infrastructure through the National Infrastructure Assistance Program, or "MEGA Grant" program, and


WHEREAS, this program can be a key funding component to address this crucial infrastructure need of local, regional, and national importance,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Saraland supports the Alabama Department of Transportation's application for a MEGA Grant and any other sources of federal funding that may become available, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Saraland supports the MPO's who are immediately initiating the process within all applicable regulations and bylaws of adding the Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project in the TIP to move the project forward and to qualify for and apply for the MEGA Grant; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Saraland supports the MPO's who will finalize the process of including the Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project in their TIPs as soon as possible under the ongoing review and oversight of their respective boards.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 10th day of August 2023.



Joe McDonald, Council President



Judi Smith, City Clerk



RESOLUTION NO. 1358-2023

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR A MEGA GRANT APPLICATION TO ASSIST IN FUNDING THE I-10 MOBILE RIVER BRIDGE AND BAYWAY PROJECT

WHEREAS, Interstate 10 is a major East-West corridor for commercial and personal vehicles and is the only interstate highway that connects the East Coast, West Coast, and Gulf Coast of the United States; and

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WHEREAS, Mobile and Baldwin Counties are home to significant industry, whose workforce and suppliers rely on Interstate 10 to safely move people and goods across Mobile Bay; and

WHEREAS, the Port of Mobile, the Mobile International Airport, and numerous multimodal hubs all are located on Mobile Bay and frequently utilize Interstate 10 helping to stimulate and drive the economy of Mobile and Baldwin Counties, the State of Alabama, and the entire Gulf Coast region; and

WHEREAS, traffic and congestion on Interstate 10 will continue to increase, with negative effects on public safety, commerce, and mobility in the region, if no action is taken; and

WHEREAS, the City of Spanish Fort agrees on the need for a new bridge over the Mobile River and Mobile Bay and a framework to achieve this goal; and

WHEREAS, the City of Spanish Fort recognizes that President Biden and Congress conceived and enacted the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), which includes a new discretionary grant program designed to address infrastructure challenges of this type and magnitude; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation is committed to improving our nation's infrastructure through the Mega Grant program; and

WHEREAS, this program can be a key funding component to address this crucial infrastructure need of local, regional, and national importance; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPANISH FORT, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City of Spanish Fort supports the Alabama Department of Transportation's application for the Mega Grant and any other sources of federal funding that may become available.

SECTION 2. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 17th day of July, 2023.



Michael M. McMillan
Mayor

ATTEST:



Rebecca A. Gaines
City Clerk

EASTERN SHORE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-16

Resolution of Support for Mega Grant Application to Assist in Funding I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

WHEREAS, the Eastern Shore Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is the organization designated by the Governor of the State of Alabama as being responsible, together with the State of Alabama, for implementing the applicable provisions of 23 USC 134 and 135 (Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Section 11201, November 2021); 42 USC 2000d-1, 7401; 23 CFR 450 and 500; 40 CFR 51 and 93; and

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WHEREAS, the portion of Interstate 10 connecting Mobile and Baldwin Counties was initially built for 30,000 vehicles per day, but now services more than 100,000 vehicles on peak days, with traffic volumes growing steadily and continuously; and

WHEREAS, Mobile and Baldwin Counties are home to significant industry, whose workforce and suppliers rely on Interstate 10 to safely move people and goods across Mobile Bay; and

WHEREAS, the Port of Mobile, the Mobile International Airport, and numerous multimodal hubs all are located on Mobile Bay and frequently utilize Interstate 10 helping to stimulate and drive the economy of Mobile and Baldwin Counties, the State of Alabama and the entire Gulf Coast region; and

WHEREAS, traffic and congestion on Interstate 10 will continue to increase, with negative effects on public safety, commerce, and mobility in the region, if no action is taken; and

WHEREAS, the Mobile and Eastern Shore Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) unanimously agree on the need for a new bridge over the Mobile River and Mobile Bay and a framework to achieve this goal; and

WHEREAS, the MPOs recognize that President Biden and Congress conceived and enacted the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), which includes a new discretionary grant program designed to address infrastructure challenges of this type and magnitude; and

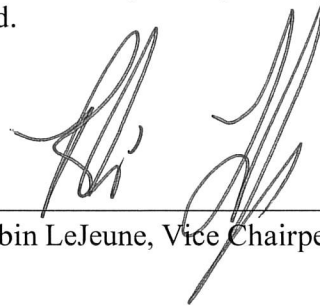
WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation is committed to improving our nation's infrastructure through the Mega Grant program; and

WHEREAS, this program can be a key funding component to address this crucial infrastructure need of local, regional, and national importance.

WHEREAS, both MPOs have included the Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project in their Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the MPOs support the Alabama Department of Transportation's application for the Mega Grant and any other sources of federal funding that may become available.

The foregoing resolution was adopted and approved on the 26th day of July 2023, by the Eastern Shore Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Board.



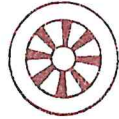
Robin LeJeune, Vice Chairperson

ATTEST:



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May 9, 2022

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

Attention: Matt Ericksen, P.E.

RE: MEGA Grant Application Support
Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

Dear Mr. Cooper,

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The I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is an important transportation infrastructure project that will improve mobility, safety, security, and efficiency along the I-10 corridor in Mobile and Baldwin Counties in Southwest Alabama.

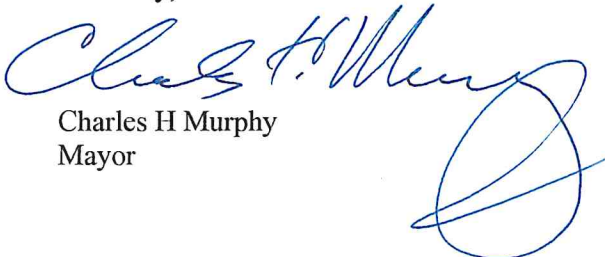
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As a key stakeholder along the corridor, and one who will benefit greatly from the infrastructure improvements, I fully support efforts to help fund and deliver this key infrastructure.

Should you have any questions regarding our endorsement, or if we can support the MEGA Grant application effort in any other way, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Thank you for your leadership in this important endeavor.

Sincerely,


Charles H Murphy
Mayor



TRANSIT SYSTEM

August 10, 2023

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

RE: 2023 MEGA Grant Application Support
I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

Dear Mr. Cooper,

I would like to take this opportunity to offer my strong support the Alabama Department of Transportation's MEGA Grant application through the U.S. Department of Transportation.

The I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is an important transportation infrastructure project that will improve mobility, safety, security, and efficiency along the I-10 corridor in Mobile and Baldwin Counties in Southwest Alabama.

Corridor studies identified needs and strategies to improve freight operations and mobility throughout the I-10 corridor, which connects eight states. The South Alabama region is experiencing tremendous growth – the Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is vital and will provide great benefits for citizens, travelers, and businesses, as well as regional and interstate commerce.

I respectfully request that the Alabama Department of Transportation's application be given every consideration for funding. If you feel that I may be of further assistance or can provide you with any additional information, please don't hesitate to let me know.

With kind regards, I am,

Sincerely,

Jamon R. Mosley
Manager of Planning & Capital Projects

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August 9, 2023

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

RE: 2023 MEGA Grant Application Support
I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

Dear Mr. Cooper,

I would like to take this opportunity to offer my strong support the Alabama Department of Transportation's MEGA Grant application through the U.S. Department of Transportation.

The I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is an important transportation infrastructure project that will improve mobility, safety, security, and efficiency along the I-10 corridor in Mobile and Baldwin Counties in Southwest Alabama.

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I respectfully request that the Alabama Department of Transportation's application be given every consideration for funding. If you feel that I may be of further assistance or can provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Sincerely,

Stephen Ascik
Eastern Shore Ace Hardware
Spanish Fort and Daphne AL



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May 11, 2022

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1409 Coliseum Blvd.
Montgomery, AL 36110

cc: Matt Ericksen, P.E.
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Rd. No.
Mobile AL 36618

RE: MEGA Grant Application Support
Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

Dear Mr. Cooper,

On behalf of Mobile Section, Alabama AGC, Baldwin County Road Builders Association, and Mobile County Road Builders Association which jointly represent over 400 contractors, subcontractors, suppliers and construction related firms who maintain businesses in Mobile and/or Baldwin Counties and who collectively employ over 10,000 men and women, we are writing to support the Alabama Department of Transportation's MEGA Grant application through the U.S. Department of Transportation.

The I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is an important transportation infrastructure project that will improve mobility, safety, security, and efficiency along the I-10 corridor in Mobile and Baldwin Counties in Southwest Alabama.

Corridor studies identified needs and strategies to improve freight operations and mobility throughout the I-10 corridor, which connects eight states. The South Alabama region is experiencing tremendous growth – the Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is vital and will provide great benefits for citizens, travelers, and businesses, as well as regional and interstate commerce.

As key stakeholders along the corridor, who will benefit greatly from the infrastructure improvements, we fully support efforts to help fund and deliver this key infrastructure.

Should you have any questions regarding our endorsement, or if we can support the MEGA Grant application effort in any other way, please feel free to contact us at your convenience.

Thank you for your leadership in this important endeavor.

Respectfully,

Josh McElhenney
President
Mobile Section, AGC

Shaun Shugart
President
Mobile County Road Builders Assn.

John Whitman
President
Baldwin County Road Builders Assn.



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May 16, 2022

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

Attention: Matt Ericksen, P.E.

RE: MEGA Grant Application Support
Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

Dear Mr. Cooper,

I am writing to support the Alabama Department of Transportation's MEGA Grant application through the U.S. Department of Transportation.

The I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is an important transportation infrastructure project that will improve mobility, safety, security, and efficiency along the I-10 corridor in Mobile and Baldwin Counties in Southwest Alabama.

As a key stakeholder along the corridor, and one who will benefit greatly from the infrastructure improvements, I fully support efforts to help fund and deliver this key infrastructure.

Should you have any questions regarding our endorsement, or if we can support the MEGA Grant application effort in any other way, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Construction Labor Services, Inc.


Deborah Bishop
President



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May 13, 2022

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

Attention: Matt Eriksen, P.E.

RE: MEGA Grant Application Support

Dear Mr. Cooper,
I am writing to support the Alabama Department of
Transportation's MEGA Grant application through the U.S.
Department of Transportation.

The 1-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is an important
transportation infrastructure project that will improve mobility,
safety, security, and efficiency along the 1-10 corridor in Mobile
and Baldwin Counties in Southwest Alabama.

Corridor studies identified needs and strategies to improve freight
operations and mobility throughout the 1-10 corridor, which
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is vital and will provide great benefits for citizens, travelers, and
businesses, as well as regional and interstate commerce.

As a key stakeholder along the corridor, and one who will benefit
greatly from the infrastructure improvements, I fully support efforts
to help fund and deliver this key infrastructure.

Should you have any questions regarding our endorsement, or if
we can support the MEGA Grant application effort in any other
way, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Thank you for your leadership in this important endeavor.

Sincerely,



UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA

May13, 2022

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

Attention: Matt Ericksen, P.E.

RE: MEGA Grant Application Support

Dear Mr. Cooper,

I am writing to support the Alabama Department of Transportation's MEGA Grant application through the U.S. Department of Transportation.

The I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is an important transportation infrastructure project that will improve mobility, safety, security, and efficiency along the I-10 corridor in Mobile and Baldwin Counties in Southwest Alabama.

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The University of South Alabama is a supporter and will benefit greatly from the infrastructure improvements, we fully support efforts to help fund and deliver this key infrastructure.

Should you have any questions regarding our endorsement, or if we can support the MEGA Grant application effort in any other way, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Thank you for your leadership in this important endeavor.

Sincerely,

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Lynne U. Chronister
Vice President for Research and
Economic Development



UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA

May 9, 2022

Mr. John R. Cooper
Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

Attention: Matt Ericksen, P.E.

RE: MEGA Grant Application Support
Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

Dear John,

I hope you are doing well. I appreciate your willingness to come out of retirement to serve the state for many years in this capacity!

I am writing to support the Alabama Department of Transportation's MEGA Grant application through the U.S. Department of Transportation.

The I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is an important transportation infrastructure project that will improve mobility, safety, security, and efficiency along the I-10 corridor in Mobile and Baldwin Counties in Southwest Alabama.

Corridor studies identified needs and strategies to improve freight operations and mobility throughout the I-10 corridor, which connects eight states. The South Alabama region is experiencing tremendous growth – the Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is vital and will provide great benefits for citizens, travelers, and businesses, as well as regional and interstate commerce. As a former Chairman of the Board of the Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce, I know how important this project is to our growth.

I fully support efforts to help fund and deliver this key infrastructure.

Should you have any questions regarding my endorsement, or if I can support the MEGA Grant application effort in any other way, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Thank you for your leadership in this important endeavor.

Sincerely,

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Michael Chambers, J.D., Ph.D.
Associate Vice President for Research



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May 12, 2022

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

Attention: Matt Ericksen, P.E.

RE: MEGA Grant Application Support
Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

Dear Mr. Cooper,

I am writing to support the Alabama Department of Transportation's MEGA Grant application through the U.S. Department of Transportation.

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As a key stakeholder along the corridor, and one who will benefit greatly from the infrastructure improvements, I fully support efforts to help fund and deliver this key infrastructure.

Should you have any questions regarding our endorsement, or if we can support the MEGA Grant application effort in any other way, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

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Date: 5/23/22

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

Attention: Matt Ericksen, P.E.

RE: MEGA Grant Application Support
Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

Dear Mr. Cooper,

I am writing to support the Alabama Department of Transportation's MEGA Grant application through the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Over the past several years, there has been a significant effort in growing the city of Mobile, which has brought new industries and expansion of businesses to the area. The expansion of the Port of Mobile, the construction of the new international airport, and continued developments at the Brookley Aeroplex are all of significant note which will continue to bring industrialization to the Mobile area, making the I-10 River Bridge and Bayway project vital in improving mobility, safety, security, and efficiency along the I-10 corridor in Mobile and Baldwin Counties in Southwest Alabama.

Corridor studies identified needs and strategies to improve freight operations and mobility throughout the I-10 corridor. As a resident of Baldwin County, myself, I travel across the current Bayway multiple times a day for my work in the ready-mix concrete business and to transport my children back and forth to school and various extracurricular activities. I can attest firsthand that the Bayway infrastructure is no longer adequate to accommodate the number of drivers that travel across it each day. The Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project is of the utmost importance and will directly benefit the area's citizens, travelers, and businesses, as well as regional and interstate commerce.

As a key stakeholder along the corridor, and one who will benefit greatly from the infrastructure improvements, I fully support efforts to help fund and deliver this key infrastructure.

Should you have any questions regarding our endorsement, or if we can support the MEGA Grant application effort in any other way, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Thank you for your leadership in this important endeavor.

Sincerely,

Culley Allgood
Vice President – Bayou Concrete



COASTAL SLIP FORM

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

Attention: Matt Ericksen, P.E.

RE: MEGA Grant Application Support
Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

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Should you have any questions regarding our endorsement, or if we can support the MEGA Grant application effort in any other way, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Thank you for your leadership in this important endeavor.

Sincerely,


Kelly McElhenney
President

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May 9, 2022

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

Attention: Matt Ericksen, P.E.

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Should you have any questions regarding our endorsement, or if we can support the MEGA Grant application effort in any other way, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Thank you for your leadership in this important endeavor.

Sincerely,

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Karen Hong
CEO



May 13, 2022

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

Attention: Matt Ericksen, P.E.

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Should you have any questions regarding our endorsement, or if we can support the MEGA Grant application effort in any other way, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Thank you for your leadership in this important endeavor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Burkel", written in a cursive style.

Joe Burkel --- Chief Executive Officer

Joe.Burkel@ecosouthservices.net

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JOBS. WELL DONE.

May 19, 2022

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618

Attention: Matt Ericksen, P.E.

RE: MEGA Grant Application Support
Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project

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Should you have any questions regarding our endorsement, or if we can support the MEGA Grant application effort in any other way, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Thank you for your leadership in this important endeavor.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth D. Freeman
President, Long's Human Resource Services

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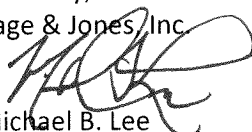
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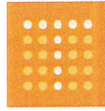
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Threaded Fasteners, Inc. spans throughout the southeast and is continually expanding in South Alabama. Increased mobility in the region will benefit us in the transport of our Alabama Manufactured and other distributed materials throughout the region and through interstate commerce more efficiently and safely.

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Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

September 19, 2023

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

As a unified congressional delegation, we write in support of the State of Alabama's application to the Department of Transportation (DOT) to receive a Mega Grant, also known as the National Infrastructure Project Assistance program.

The I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is not in every congressional district in Alabama; however, it is a critical piece of transportation infrastructure to the entire State, region, and nation. I-10 connects eight states, many of the country's major cities and seaports, and serves as a primary transportation artery for both travel and commerce throughout the United States.

Currently, to traverse the Mobile River and Mobile Bay on I-10, the majority of traffic must first utilize the Wallace and Bankhead tunnels in Mobile, each built more than 50 years ago and currently three times over the originally constructed capacity. Traffic must then cross a roughly 7.5 mile bridge across Mobile Bay, which was also constructed more than 50 years ago. Like the tunnels, this bridge is over capacity and not built to current safety and environmental standards.

Moreover, due to safety regulations, all hazardous cargo is unable to use the current tunnels and therefore must move via a state highway that runs through the historic and disadvantaged community of Africatown. The new Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project will add needed capacity for all travelers as well as divert the majority of traffic onto the new infrastructure, including hazardous cargo away from Africatown, creating a safer and more efficient route for all.

Much progress on the project has been made in recent months. With continued support and cooperation with local officials, the project is in its strongest position to date. The Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) has acquired all the needed right of way to construct the project. Additionally, ALDOT has selected the main design-build teams to construct this large and complex endeavor. These teams are conducting field surveying and geotechnical work as we move toward an anticipated construction start date at the end of this year or early next year.

We are appreciative of DOT's designation of this project as one worthy of additional technical support from the Build America Bureau within DOT. It is our understanding that these conversations between ALDOT and DOT have been fruitful, leading to further advancements in the project itself.

Therefore, as elected members of the Alabama congressional delegation, we hope that DOT gives full, fair, and favorable consideration to the State of Alabama's application for this important project. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Katie Boyd Britt
U.S. Senator



Tommy Tuberville
U.S. Senator



Jerry Carl
Member of Congress (AL-01)



Barry Moore
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