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Secretary Ray LaHood
Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue
Washington, DC 20590-0001

SUBJECT: East Foster Wells Road Extension Phase 2

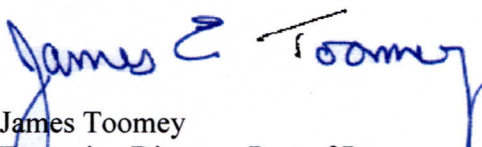
Dear Mr. LaHood:

The Port of Pasco fully supports the application submitted by Franklin County, Washington for the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery 2 (TIGER 2) grant funding. The additional funding requested will complete the East Foster Wells Road Extension.

The project provides a direct link to the Port's multi-modal "Pasco Processing Center", a regional food processing park and job center employing 1,000 people in the agricultural food processing sector. Completion of the Foster Wells Road extension will support continued job growth at the center as well as enhancing farm-to-factory transportation access for the region's growers. Improving access to this important port facility is a regional priority.

On behalf of the Port of Pasco, I appreciate your full consideration of the East Foster Wells Road Extension Phase for the TIGER 2 grant application.

Sincerely,



James Toomey
Executive Director, Port of Pasco

CC: Tim Fife, Franklin County Public Works
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