

Tuesday, May 17, 2022

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

RE: Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant funding for the Safety Improvements for Oklahoma Rural Roads

Honorable Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of the Oklahoma Economic Development Authority, I am writing to voice our organization's strong support of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation's (ODOT) application for an Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant to assist with the Safety Improvements for Oklahoma Rural Roads. The proposed improvements to 2 lane rural highways are both necessary and urgent to provide for motorist safety, better facilitate traffic and improve freight movement and to meet the strategic goals of both ODOT and the region.

The Oklahoma Economic Development Authority strongly supports Safety Improvements for Oklahoma Rural Roads for its vital contribution to the region, state and nation. The proposed project supports a network that is critical to Oklahoma's economy and freight movement. We strongly urge your support of full funding for the project. Thank you for your consideration and please feel free to call on us should you have questions or if you require additional information.

Sincerely,



Jonathon Cross
Executive Director