



June 30, 2021

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

RE: Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) funding for the I-44 and US-75 Interchange in Tulsa County.

Honorable Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of the Indian Nations Council of Governments, the MPO for the Tulsa Metropolitan Region, I am writing to voice our organization's strong support of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation's (ODOT) application for a Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant to assist with the I-44 and US-75 Interchange in Tulsa County. The proposed improvements to I-44 and US-75 Interchange in Tulsa County 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.

INCOG strongly supports the I-44 and US-75 Interchange in Tulsa County 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rich Brierre". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rich Brierre
Executive Director