

DAN NEWHOUSE
4TH DISTRICT, WASHINGTON
www.newhouse.house.gov

504 CANNON HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING
WASHINGTON, DC 20515
OFFICE (202) 225-5816
FAX (202) 225-3251

CHAIRMAN
CONGRESSIONAL WESTERN CAUCUS



Congress of the United States House of Representatives

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
APPROPRIATIONS
SUBCOMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE,
RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG
ADMINISTRATION, AND RELATED
AGENCIES
SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND WATER
DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES
SUBCOMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY
SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE CHINESE
COMMUNIST PARTY

May 10, 2024

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$2,682,000 to complete the Regional Beltway Connector transportation corridor in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Union Gap, located at 102 W. Ahtanum Road, Union Gap, WA 98903.

The funding would complete the Regional Beltway Connector transportation corridor from I82/US 97, South Union Gap Interchange, to the City's industrial agricultural areas. Currently, freight trucks must use a local road that passes through an elementary school zone and two at-grade railroad crossings. The project provides safety improvements by reducing traffic on congested roadways, providing a more direct route with a railroad overpass, and eliminating an at-grade crossing. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will provide critical safety enhancements, reduce vehicle emissions, and support active transportation modes with the addition of sidewalks and a multiuse pathway to that serves a historically disadvantaged rural community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 U.S.C. 133(b)(1). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dan Newhouse".

Dan Newhouse
Member of Congress