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Secretary Ray LaHood
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave SE
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Southern Navajo County Regional Corridor Project
Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery "TIGER" Grant

Dear Secretary LaHood

The Arizona Department of Transportation is pleased to endorse an application by the Navajo County for TIGER Discretionary Grant funds for the Southern Navajo County Regional Corridor Project.

This letter recognizes the partnership between Navajo County, the City of Show Low and the Town of Pinetop-Lakeside that is to advance the Southern Navajo County Regional Corridor Project in rural Arizona.

The Southern Navajo County Regional Corridor Project encompasses one of Arizona's major destinations – the "White Mountains." The "White Mountains" region experienced rapid population and economic growth, conditions that have taxed the roadway infrastructure as cited within the Southern Navajo/Apache County Sub-Regional Transportation Plan. The Arizona Department of Transportation commends this partnership for taking the necessary steps toward acquiring TIGER Grant to address the multitude of recommendations made within the Sub-Regional Transportation Plan.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sam Maroufkhan", is written over a light-colored rectangular background.

Sam Maroufkhan
Deputy State Engineer
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CC: Connie Boggs
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