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Elaine Chao, Secretary
US Secretary of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave. SE
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Dear Secretary Chao,

On behalf of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Department Water Resources I am pleased to write this letter of support for the TIGER grant application being submitted by the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes to fund the Fort Hall Connect: Strengthening Community through Transportation Investment.

The Tribal Water Resources Department works directly with Tribes' Transportation and has participated in planning meetings for the TIGER project and sees the projects identified in the TIGER Grant as a great benefit to the community of Fort Hall. The Fort Hall Community has been developing around the proposed improvement areas, and transportation infrastructure is sorely needed.

The Fort Hall Connect is very important for our region as it will foster economic growth, improve connectivity, improve transit options and create a new model for beneficial development in the State of Idaho.

Thank you for your consideration of this beneficial project.

Sincerely,

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Tribal Water Engineer

Cc: Tribal Transportation Department