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Congress of the United States
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-0525

April 26th, 2021

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the Old Road Safety and Capacity Enhancement project in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is the Los Angeles County Public Works and the project is located in the unincorporated community of Stevenson Ranch in Los Angeles County, California. The funding is designated for the widening of the Old Road between Henry Mayo Drive and Magic Mountain Parkway (2.3 miles) and increase the number of travel lanes from four to six lanes along the segment.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits: the Old Road is a heavily used north south arterial road in the Santa Clarita Valley often used as an alternative to the I-5 Freeway, especially when the freeway is closed due to severe weather conditions. The increased demand on the roadways from the cut-thru traffic has increased congestion along The Old Road that has negatively impacted the area residents. Increasing the roadway capacity to accommodate this demand and also providing active transportation alternatives that connect to a regional bike trail in the City of Santa Clarita will greatly improve the travel experience for both vehicular and non-motorized traffic in the area.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mike Garcia", with a stylized, cursive script.

Mike Garcia
Member of Congress