

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-3602

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The Honorable Sean Duffy
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave., SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: FY 2026 Bridge Investment Program Grant: Route 66 Bridge Bundle: Honoring a Century, Enabling the Future Project

Honorable Secretary Duffy:

We are pleased to submit this letter in support of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation's (ODOT) application for a Bridge Investment Program (BIP) discretionary grant for the Route 66 Bridge Bundle: Honoring a Century, Enabling the Future Project. This project will repair or replace aging structures including seven span bridges and four bridge sized culverts located along Historic Route 66 in multiple Oklahoma communities. These structures are classified in poor or fair condition and are at risk of further deterioration without investment.

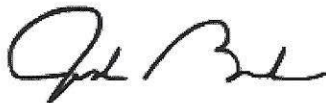
Route 66 is one of the most iconic transportation corridors in the United States and spans over 400 miles in Oklahoma. Maintaining the corridor is not only critical for mobility and safety but also for preserving a nationally significant scenic byway that supports tourism, businesses, and local economies across the state. The proposed improvements will modernize outdated infrastructure, enhance safety by meeting current design standards, and improve accessibility for all travelers. With the Centennial of Route 66 taking place in 2026, this project is especially important to ensure the safety and resiliency of Route 66 for the next 100 years.

This BIP Grant will transform critical infrastructure into a state of good repair, increase safety, and help meet mobility goals for multiple counties and strongly support local economies.

I formally request that the application submitted by the Oklahoma Department of Transportation receive fair and full consideration by the U.S. Department of Transportation. The potential transportation and safety benefits strongly supports the project for its contribution to the necessary infrastructure improvements for this vital corridor for the movement of people and goods.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Josh Brecheen
Member of Congress