

Office of the City Manager

February 18, 2019

The Honorable Elaine L. Chao
U.S. Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

RE: Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA) funding for the US-81 bypass in Grady County

Honorable Secretary Chao:

On Behalf of the City of Chickasha, I am writing to voice our organization's strong support of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation's (ODOT) application for an Infrastructure Rebuilding America (INFRA) grant to assist with the US-81 bypass in Grady County. The proposed improvements to US-81 are both necessary and urgent to provide for motorist safety, better facilitate traffic and improve freight movement, and to meet the strategic goals of both ODOT and the region.

The City of Chickasha strongly supports the US-81 bypass project for its vital contribution to the region, state, and nation. The proposed project supports a network that is critical to Oklahoma's economy and freight movement. We strongly urge your support of full funding for the project. Thank you for your consideration and please feel free to call on us should you have questions or if you require additional information.

Sincerely,

John Noblitt

City Manager