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The Honorable Peter DeFazio
Chairman
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The Honorable Sam Graves
Ranking Member
House Committee on Transportation
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Dear Chairman DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the Structure Replacement Over Piles Fork Creek in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is Gary Williams and the City of Carbondale, and the project is located at College Street in Carbondale, Illinois 62901.

The funding is designated for southeast Carbondale on College Street which is a Federal-Aid Eligible Minor Collector Street under the jurisdiction of the city of Carbondale. The project is currently funded in the FY-24 SIMPO TIP. The existing structure is a 9' x 14' double box culvert carrying College Street over Piles Fork Creek. The culvert is in poor condition due to horizontal cracks in the sidewalls. It must be replaced soon, based on the most recent structural inspection. The culvert also has existing sidewalk on each side of the roadway which will be replaced in accordance with the City's Complete Streets policy.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits. The existing sidewalk serves a low-income neighborhood and trailer park so maintaining it in good repair is essential to providing an equitable transportation infrastructure.

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

Sincerely,



Mike Bost
Member of Congress