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May 23, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-305, the Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Highland-Redlands Regional Connector in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is San Bernardino County Transportation Authority, located at 1170 West Third Street, 2nd Floor, San Bernardino, CA.

The funding would be used for improving safety and connectivity on Orange Street between the Cities of Highland and Redlands by constructing 5.25 miles of new Class I separated bikeways, Class IV protected bike lanes and pedestrian pathways with enhanced crossings, while also extending Class II bike lanes on Boulder Avenue to provide a continuous connection.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses long-standing community needs for improved mobility, safety and regional connectivity. For over 20 years, residents have been demanding safer infrastructure along Orange Street, where no designated space for bicycles or pedestrians currently exists, forcing students, workers, and commuters to navigate dangerous conditions over the Santa Ana River.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pete Aguilar".

Pete Aguilar  
Member of Congress