

February 5, 2019

Mr. John R. Cooper, Transportation Director
Alabama Department of Transportation
1701 I-65 West Service Road North
Mobile, AL 36618
Attention: Matt Ericksen, P.E.

**RE: INFRA Grant Application Support
I-10 Congestion Relief – Mobile River Bridge and Bayway Project**

Dear Mr. Cooper,

I am writing to support the Alabama Department of Transportation's INFRA Grant application through the U.S. Department of Transportation.

The I-10 Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is an important transportation infrastructure project that will improve mobility, safety, security, and efficiency along the I-10 corridor in Mobile and Baldwin Counties in Southwest Alabama.

Corridor studies identified needs and strategies to improve freight operations and mobility throughout the I-10 corridor, which connects eight states. The South Alabama region is experiencing tremendous growth – the Mobile River Bridge and Bayway project is vital and will provide great benefits for citizens, travelers, and businesses, as well as regional and interstate commerce.

As a key stakeholder along the corridor, and one who will benefit greatly from the infrastructure improvements, I fully support efforts to help fund and deliver this key infrastructure.

Should you have any questions regarding our endorsement, or if we can support the INFRA Grant application effort in any other way, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Thank you for your leadership in this important endeavor.

Sincerely,

CHARLES F. GRUBER, Chairman
Baldwin County Commission

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cc: Joey Nunnally
Lisa Sangster

