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Dear Chairman DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves,

I am requesting funding for the SW OKC Park and Ride facility in surface transportation reauthorization legislation

The project sponsor for this project is EMBARK and is located in the area of Southwest 104th Street and South Santa Fe Avenue in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

The funding is designated for park and ride facilities located throughout EMBARK service areas within the vicinity of trip generators. Currently, my Congressional district does not have any dedicated public transit park and rides. By creating these facilities, public transit services will become much more accessible to larger portion of metropolitan area making it a much more efficient means of connection to the existing transit network. Additionally, the SW Park and Ride will alleviate congestion by taking cars off the road. This facility would be the first of its kind in the Central Oklahoma region.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to benefit commuters who live beyond a practical walking distance from public transit, making it a more viable transportation option for more citizens to utilize the benefits of public transportation.

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

Sincerely,

Tom Cole

Member of Congress

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