## **Project Name:**

I-35 Widening in Love County and Goldsby, OK

#### Recipient:

Oklahoma Department of Transportation

#### Address:

200 NE 21st Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73105

### **Amount Requested:**

\$5,000,000

#### **Project Explanation:**

This community project will add 2 lanes of highway on I-35 in two sections North of the Red River and South of the SH-9W Interchange. The widening of I-35 will contribute to growth in business productivity and will help control production and distribution costs.

Currently, the facility carries over 70,000 vehicles per day and is becoming one of the most capacity constrained corridors in the state. Because the volume of traffic is nearing the maximum capacity of the facility, travelling I-35 is becoming more undependable and even minor incidents can cause miles of backup. This project will increase capacity of I-35 from 4 through lanes to 6 through lanes. The widening of I-35 will contribute to growth in business productivity and will help control production and distribution costs. It will also yield more reliable, on-time delivery of freight and greater connectivity to air and rail terminals. Increased mobility for the public will create more job opportunities for workers. Travel for family and recreational activities will be easier. Interstate improvements will provide smooth, wide, fast, intersection free roads that can be used in times of national or regional crisis to move first responder equipment and supplies and can serve as an evacuation and rescue route.

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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the widening of I-35 in Love County and Goldsby, Oklahoma in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Oklahoma Department of Transportation located at 200 NE 21<sup>st</sup> Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73105. The funding would be used for the addition of 2 lanes of highway along I-35 in two section North of the Red River and South of the SH-9W Interchange to contribute to the growth of business productivity and yield more reliable delivery of freight.

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

Sincerely,

TOM COLE

Member of Congress