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Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the Chadwick Flyer Trail in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is Ozark Transportation Organization, and the project is located in Greene County, Missouri.

The funding is designated for Construct sections of the Chadwick Flyer Greenway between Bennett St and Christian County: This project will 1)complete the Greene County Chadwick Flyer segment between the existing southern terminus of the Galloway Creek Greenway at the MO Department of Conservation Nature Center and the Christian County line, and 2)extend the Chadwick Flyer Greenway north from the existing terminus at Pershing Elementary on Seminole to Bennett St. A significant project element is the acquisition of the existing RR corridor between Bennett St and Kissick Ave. The rail corridor will be partially converted to trail use and a portion will contribute to additional protected floodway along the Galloway Creek.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits:

- Creation of approximately 8.3 miles of continuous trail between Bennet St in the north and Christian County
- Expands Safe Routes to School for students attending Pershing Elementary in Springfield
- Connects Lake Springfield Park, Trail of Honor Greenway, Nature Center, and Sequiota Park

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

Sincerely,



Rep. Billy Long

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