

Tishomingo Intersection Improvement Project

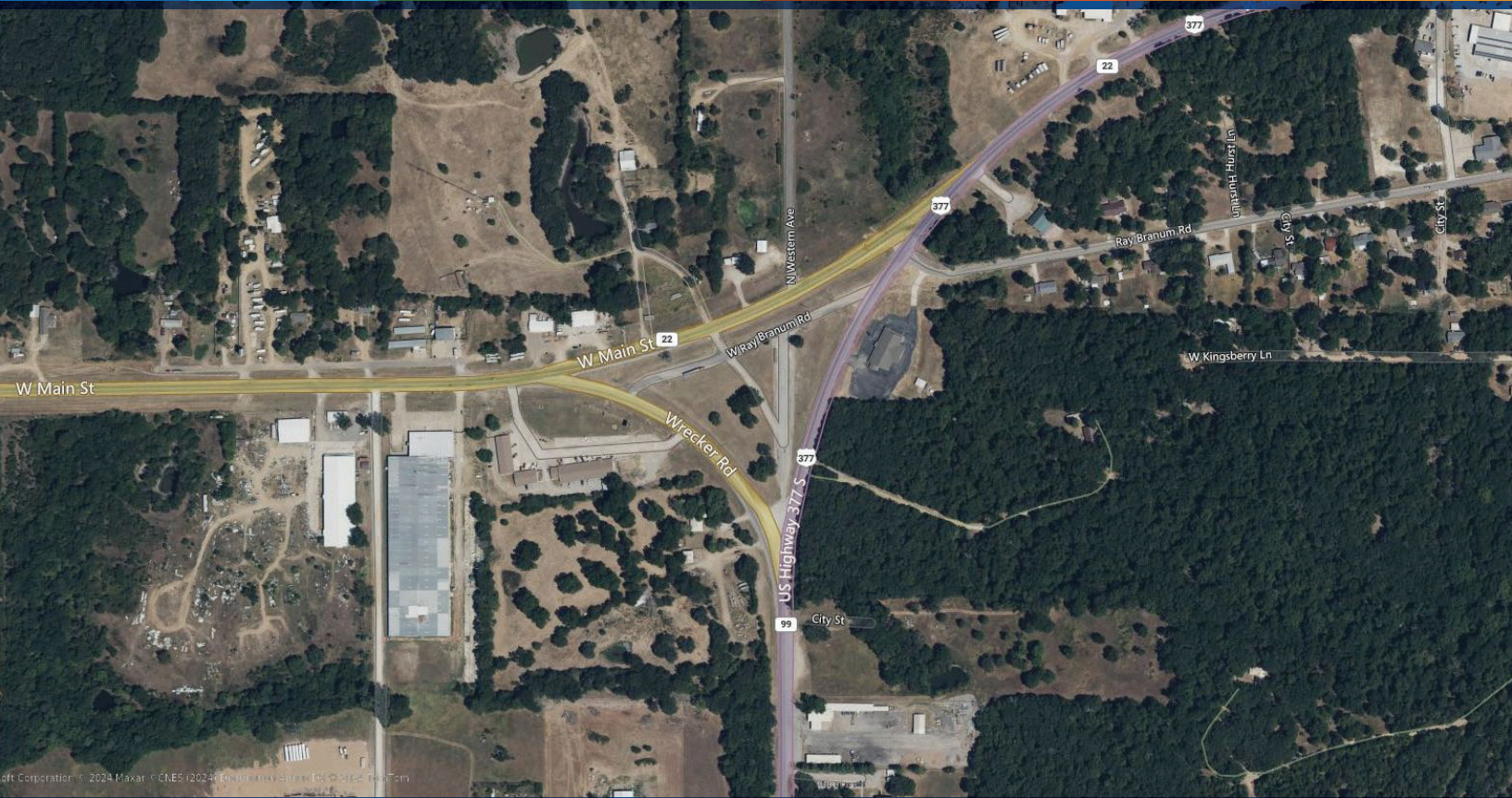
LETTERS OF SUPPORT

May 6, 2024

2025/2026

Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant

Rural



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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

May 1, 2024

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave., SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

I am writing to express my support for the Oklahoma Department of Transportation's (ODOT) application for the Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant (MPDG) program. If awarded, this grant will aid in the reconstruction of the intersection at US-377 and SH-22 in Tishomingo, Oklahoma.

The current wye intersection configuration allows for free-flowing traffic, often causing congestion and delays. This project will include an alternative design for this intersection to control access points and improve traffic flow. This project is included in the ODOT Eight-Year Construction Work Plan and aligns with the goals of the U.S. Department of Transportation through investments in rural communities.

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to our Tulsa office at 918-921-8520. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

God Bless,

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Markwayne Mullin
United States Senate

JAMES LANKFORD
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May 6, 2024

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
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U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

I am pleased to write this letter in support of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation's (ODOT) application for funding through the Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant (MPDG) program. The project proposes the reconstruction of an outdated intersection at US-377 and SH-22 in Tishomingo, Oklahoma.

Tishomingo is home to over 3,000 Oklahomans in Southeast Oklahoma and was the first capital of the Chickasaw Nation. The existing intersection at US-377 and SH-22 is a wye configuration with free-flowing traffic along the major movements and stop control for the intersecting legs minor movements. This wye intersection design dates back several decades and is need of reconfiguration. The proposed project is included within the ODOT 8-Year Construction Work Plan and will provide major infrastructure improvements in a rural Oklahoma community.

The *Tishomingo Wye Intersection Project* will improve intersection function by moving toward a design that has controlled access points. Current project activities include the development of design alternatives with respect to safety, traffic, access management, land use impacts, drainage, utilities, and cost. ODOT will engage with the community to ensure that local consideration is factored into the project. A federal investment in the Tishomingo project will enhance safety and allow for continued development in the region.

Thank you in advance for your strong consideration of ODOT's application for funding through the MPDG program. Please contact my office should you need any further assistance as you consider this important proposal.

In God We Trust,



James Lankford
United States Senator for Oklahoma



CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

April 22, 2024

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
U.S. Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

RE: Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant (MPDG) program, Tishomingo Wye Intersection Project

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Sincerely,

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Josh Brecheen
Member of Congress



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GOVERNOR

May 1, 2024

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Secretary of Transportation
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, Southeast
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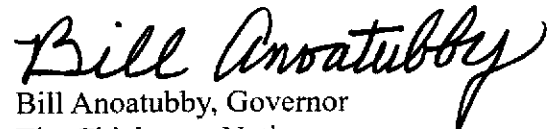
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Thank you in advance for your consideration of ODOT's application for the MPDG opportunity. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Bo Ellis, Director of Roads Program, at (580) 272-5499.

Sincerely,


Bill Anoatubby, Governor
The Chickasaw Nation

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April 29, 2024

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
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Sincerely,

Board of Commissioners
Johnston County Oklahoma



Roy W. Blevins, Chairman



Mike Niblett, Vice- Chairman



Cacy Cribbs, Member



May 2, 2024

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
U.S. Secretary of Transportation
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Regional Transportation Planner

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Executive Director



May 1, 2024

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Sincerely,

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Chad Warmington
President & CEO
The State Chamber of Oklahoma



Friday, April 26, 2024

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
U.S. Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Honorable Secretary Buttigieg:

As the “*voice of trucking*” in Oklahoma, we represent the unified interest of our member companies that literally have a front row seat to the needs of infrastructure across our state. Having polled our members, the Oklahoma Trucking Association, believes this project meets the desired goals state for the Oklahoma Department of Transportation's (ODOT) application for the Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant (MPDG) program. The project proposes to reconstruct the intersection at US-377 and SH-22 in Tishomingo, Oklahoma.

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The Oklahoma Trucking Association strongly supports this project for its vital contribution to the region, state and nation. We urge your support of full funding for the project. Thank you for your consideration for ODOT's application for the MPDG program. Please contact our offices if you need any further assistance as you consider this important proposal.

Sincerely,

Jim Newport
CEO/President
Oklahoma Trucking Association

Mario Archaga
Chairman

Bobby Smith
First Vice Chairman

Carmalieta Wells
Second Vice Chairman

Jim Newport
President & CEO



April 30, 2024

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
U.S. Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

RE: Tishomingo US-377 and SH-22 Junction (2025/2026 MPDG)

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT), I am pleased to present this application for 2025/2026 Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant (MPDG) funds. We take pride in our mission “to provide a safe, economical and effective transportation network for the people, commerce and communities of Oklahoma” and this application has been developed in this spirit.

ODOT is committing \$1,660,000 in non-federal funds of future eligible project costs as local match for the project should it be selected for award.

Sincerely,



Tim J. Gatz
Executive Director