Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for the US395 Olanca-Cartago 4 Lane Project in the surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The sponsor for this project is the Inyo County Local Transportation Commission and the project is located at the towns of Olanca and Cartago, CA 93549.

The funding is designated for upgrading U.S. Highway 395 from a two-lane conventional highway to a four-lane divided expressway.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits. It will improve safety for both the public and the goods movement sector by separating opposing traffic, reducing access points, and widening shoulders. The project would also increase through-put by reducing peak traffic congestion, improving drainage, and filling a critical void between the existing sections of the four-lane divided expressway.

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

Sincerely,

Jay Obernolte

4/26/2021