Appendix E: Letters of Support and Commitment

FY 23-26 US-81 UPRR Bridge Replacement Project (NBI 16159 & 16167)

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The Honorable Sean P. Duffy
Secretary of Transportation
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Secretary Duffy:

I write to express my strong support for the Oklahoma Department of Transportation's (ODOT) application for funding through the FY26 Bridge Investment Program (BIP) for the US-81 Northbound and Southbound Bridge Replacement Project in Kingfisher County, Oklahoma.

This project will replace two parallel bridges carrying traffic over the Union Pacific Railroad near Dover. Built in 1964, these structures have exceeded their intended service life and exhibit notable structural deficiencies, including fracture-critical elements, deterioration, and geometric constraints that pose risks to both roadway users and rail operations.

US-81 is a vital north/south corridor supporting regional mobility, agricultural transport, and interstate freight movement. The crossing over the UPRR represents a key multimodal interface where disruptions would have both local and national impacts. Ensuring the reliability of this corridor is essential to maintaining efficient supply chains and supporting Oklahoma's economy.

The proposed project will address longstanding safety and operational concerns by improving structural integrity, enhancing roadway geometry, and increasing clearance over the active rail line. These improvements will reduce the risk of incidents, improve mobility for both passenger and freight traffic, and strengthen the resilience of the transportation network in a rural area with limited redundancy.

This project advances the goals of the Bridge Investment Program by restoring critical infrastructure to a state of good repair, improving safety and reliability, and supporting economic competitiveness through enhanced freight mobility.

Thank you for your consideration of this important investment in Oklahoma's transportation infrastructure. Please do not hesitate to contact my office if I may be of assistance during your review.

Sincerely,

Jeff Moss
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Mr. Jeff Moss
Kingfisher County Commissioner