

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-4206

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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
2362-B RHOB
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa De Lauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
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Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding from the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) for a new truck route on State Route 52 in the fiscal year 2025.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Tennessee Department of Transportation located at the James K. Polk Building, Suite 700, 505 Deaderick Street, Nashville, TN 37243-0349. This funding will be used to construct a new truck route on State Route 52, bypassing downtown Celina, starting at Kyle Street, ending at Washington Street (0.75 miles), and including a bridge, retaining walls, wetland/stream mitigation, and right-of-way acquisition.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it diverts truck traffic from the central business district, creating a safer, more efficient, and less congested route for local motorists, improving transportation options and access for small-town businesses, industries, and agriculture, and supporting economic development in economically distressed Clay County.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by subsection 1 of 23 USC 133 (b) Surface Transportation Block Grant Program.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



John Rose
Member of Congress