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

Re: Hunnewell Bridge Planning Project

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

Oklahoma Circuit Engineering District 8 (CED 8) is pleased to send this letter in support of the application by Kay County for the Hunnewell Bridge (NBI 01630) Planning Project. CED 8 pledges **\$69,790** out of CIRB District 4 funds for matching funds towards the Hunnewell Bridge Planning Project. In addition to financial support, CED 8 will support the planning, design, and future construction of the project. Our staff is experienced managing federal grants, including contracting, reporting, and expending funds.

The core focus of the Bridge Investment Program is to improve the safety, efficiency, and reliability of the movement of people and freight over bridges and to improve the overall condition of bridges in the United States. The Hunnewell Bridge Planning Project aligns with this goal by funding survey, hydrology & hydraulics, geotechnical investigations, bridge feasibility and alternatives analysis, public involvement, Section 4(f) programmatic evaluation for historic bridges, and functional plans.

This project is important to the future vitality and livability of Kay County.

We appreciate your consideration and support.

Regards,



Circuit Engineering District 8