



June 16, 2020

Vice Chair Salud Carbajal
House Committee on Transportation and
Infrastructure
1431 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Vice Chair Carbajal,

On behalf of the Local Officials in Transportation (LOT) Coalition and the thousands of local government officials that we represent, thank you for amending the INVEST in America Act to ensure that America's cities, counties, and regions can continue to grow our partnership with Congress as you reauthorize the surface transportation program.

Local governments are essential partners in planning, constructing, and maintaining the nation's transportation networks. In total, 3.1 million miles of public roads are locally owned by cities, counties, and townships and represent the majority of roads where trips both begin and end. The LOT Coalition appreciates your attention to the significant role that we play as the "boots on the ground" in the economic hubs of our country. In the wake of COVID-19, it is more important than ever to expand the intergovernmental partnership to both restore our nation's infrastructure to good and working order and plan for the transportation future that Americans want.

Again, thank you for your amendment and work to improve our intergovernmental partnership. The LOT Coalition applauds your work on this issue and stands ready to work with you to achieve our shared goal of improving our nation's infrastructure system.

Sincerely,

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