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April 17, 2018

Ms. Janelle Lemon  
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Evansville, IN 47715

RE: I-69 Bridge over Ohio River

Dear Ms. Lemon,

The new I-69 bridge over the Ohio River connecting Evansville, Indiana and Henderson, Kentucky will be one of the most important projects affecting the lives of those who reside on both sides of the Ohio River for many years to come.

Proposals for the new bridge may include replacing both current Ohio River bridges with a single span in the approximate location of the current US Highway 41 bridges. Alternatively, the new I-69 bridge may be built east of the current US Highway 41 bridges and one of the current bridges may be demolished, leaving one refurbished bridge to accommodate US Highway 41 traffic. All of the remaining bridges may be subject to tolling.

The Board Commissioners of Vanderburgh County would like to see the refurbished or newly built bridge(s) servicing the traffic currently carried by the US Highway 41 bridges include a 10 foot trail lane on both sides of the bridge for both pedestrians, cyclists and non-vehicular traffic. We would ask that such a trail be free of any toll. These types of trails promote healthy lifestyles and might be the only future link between Indiana and Kentucky for persons who are unable or do not choose to cross the Ohio River by way of a vehicle.

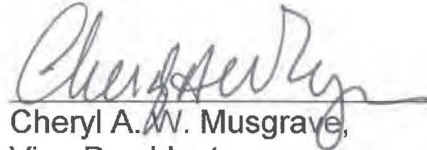
Also, the Board of Commissioners of Vanderburgh County would ask that we be notified of any future access changes to Waterworks Road off of North Highway 41 heading into Evansville, Indiana which is contemplated as a result of the proposed design and route to be selected for the new I-69 bridge over the Ohio River.

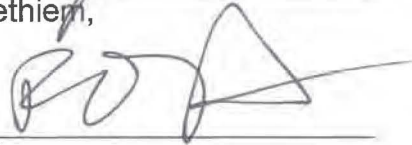
If you have any questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

  
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