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April 27, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg  
Secretary  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

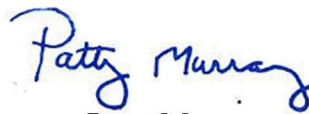
I am writing in support of an application submitted by the City of Pullman for the U.S. Department of Transportation's *Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Planning Only Grants Program* for the Airport Road Multimodal & Regional Access Improvements project.

The City of Pullman is seeking RAISE planning funding to design improvements for Airport Road, a regional transportation pathway that provides critical access to the Pullman-Moscow Regional Airport. Airport Road serves as a commuter route for various employers in the region. Currently, the road is limited to motorized vehicles. The City of Pullman, in line with their recent adoption of a complete streets policy, would design the road to expand its access to alternate forms of transportation, effectively creating greater access to the airport for communities in the region. This improved design and accessibility would support the region's growth and the increasing need for multimodal transportation and road safety.

The improved design would be in line with the City of Pullman's complete streets policy—which would include a 12-foot-wide joint-use bike and pedestrian path, two paved travel lanes, a seven-foot-wide concrete sidewalk along the road's north side, transit system access to the airport, and more. This funding would be used to turn the conceptual design into a final design, ensuring that the project would be shovel-ready once the city acquires capital funding.

Thank you for your consideration of the City of Pullman's application. Please contact Bree Rabourn in my Seattle office at 206-553-0724 with any questions.

Sincerely,



Patty Murray  
United States Senator