## **Appropriations Committee**

Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Chairman

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## Congress of the United States House of Representatives

October 19, 2011

Secretary Ray LaHood United States Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary LaHood:

I am writing in support of Gallatin County, Montana's application for a TIGER III grant. This grant would allow for an additional interchange off of Interstate 90 into the town of Belgrade

The current traffic infrastructure is not suitable for the area's growing population, and an additional exit would help the flow of traffic and help prepare the city for an emergency. This interchange will also reduce traffic on secondary highways leading out of Belgrade, reducing maintenance costs and improving safety.

Thank you for your consideration, and please don't hesitate to contact my office if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Denny Rehberg

Montana's Congressman