April 27, 2021

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for Beardstown/Chandlerville Road (CH-7/FAS 577) in surface transportation reauthorization legislation.

The project sponsor for this project is the Cass County Highway Department and the project is located on CH-7/FAS 577 in Cass County between Beardstown, Illinois 62618 and Chandlerville, Illinois 62627.

The funding is designated for a 3” resurfacing with hot mix asphalt (HMA), profile milling, pavement marking and aggregate wedge shoulders. The end result will be an 80,000-pound highway with improved profile grade and cross slope.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits: This construction will result in a safer roadway for the traveling public. The Beardstown/Chandlerville Road is a major collector rural highway and is a major farm to market road, carrying grain to the barge loading facilities on the Illinois River at Beardstown. A large percentage of the JBS hogs utilize this route.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Darin LaHood
Member of Congress
April 27, 2021