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Westminster, Colorado 80031

October 13, 2017

The Honorable Elaine Chao  
Secretary  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE  
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Chao:

I am writing on behalf of the Bike Westminster in support of the Transportation Investments Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant application for the Downtown Westminster Smart City Mobility Initiative in Westminster, Colorado. Bike Westminster is an advocacy group of citizens of Westminster, Colorado who are bicyclists. Our mission is to advocate for safe bicycle routes in and around the city of Westminster.

Westminster's TIGER application proposes to construct an underpass of Sheridan Boulevard at 88<sup>th</sup> Avenue along the US 36 Bikeway. The US 36 Bikeway extends from Boulder, Colorado to Denver, Colorado. Currently, bicyclists and pedestrians are required to cross fourteen lanes of traffic at this intersection to reach the Denver Regional Transportation District's (RTD) busiest Park 'n Ride or continue on the Bikeway toward Denver. The Westminster Comprehensive Plan ranks this segment of Sheridan Boulevard as the most congested roadway in the city.

The Westminster Smart City Mobility Initiative supports our mission to increase safety for cyclists. It will help maximize the public and private investments which have already been made in the US 36 Corridor.

Bike Westminster encourages funding by the US Department of Transportation for this significant multimodal project proposed by the City of Westminster.

Sincerely,



Byron W. Walker  
Lead Advocate, Bike Westminster