April 26, 2021

The Honorable Pete A. DeFazio
Chairman
House Committee on Transportation
and Infrastructure
2165 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC  20515

The Honorable Sam Graves
Ranking Member
House Committee on Transportation
and Infrastructure
2164 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC  20515

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

I am requesting funding for El Camino Real Class IV Bikeway & Pedestrian Improvements in surface transportation reauthorization legislation. The project sponsor is the City of Santa Clara and the project is located at three select locations along El Camino Real in Santa Clara, CA 95050: Scott Boulevard, Lincoln Avenue, and Railroad Street. The funding is for $10,350,000 and it will complete public outreach, design, and construction of bicycle facilities on the El Camino Real Corridor in Santa Clara. These enhancements will include pedestrian leading intervals, countdown pedestrian heads, pedestrian motion detection, and cub extensions.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and it will enhance safety, improve mobility, and reduce vehicle emissions by implementing a high priority bicycle project identified in the Santa Clara Bicycle Plan Update 2018. It will also implement high priority improvements identified in the Santa Clara Pedestrian Masterplan. The project will connect local residential communities, schools, libraries, and retail establishments within Silicon Valley.

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

Sincerely,

Ro Khanna
Member of Congress