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The Honorable Anthony Foxx, Secretary  
Secretary, U.S. Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue SE  
Washington, D.C. 20590

**RE: CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE (CFDA) NUMBER: 20.934**

Dear Secretary Foxx,

I write in support of the City of Seattle's application for the FastLane grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

If awarded this grant, it is my understanding that the S. Lander St project will construct a grade separated crossing over BNSF's tracks on S Lander St between 1st and 4th avenues. This crossing will provide a roadway unimpeded by rail operations and remove an average of 4.5 hours of delay and 500 safety violations per day, improve the mobility of tens of thousands of people and directly benefitting freight access to port and manufacturing facilities critical to the local and national economy. With this bottleneck removed, the direct connections to Port of Seattle facilities and freight operational support centers will contribute to the stability of 75,000 existing jobs and an additional 25,000 jobs that are forecasted by 2040. The project partners with the Port of Seattle and the Greater Duwamish Manufacturing Industrial Center. Together they will create dependable access to one of the largest port operations in the United States.

Thank you for your attention to this grant request. I urge you to give their application full and fair consideration, following all applicable rules and regulations. If you have questions regarding this request, please contact Shakisha Ross, Grants Coordinator, at (425) 793-5180.

Sincerely,



Adam Smith  
Member of Congress

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