



April 9, 2021

Congressman Mike Simpson (ID-02)
802 W. Bannock St. Suite 600
Boise, ID 83702

Dear Congressman Simpson:

I am writing today in my roles as the Chair of the Airline Affairs Committee and on behalf of the commercial passenger airlines serving the Boise Airport (BOI). We enthusiastically support BOI's request for \$700,000 of funding through the FY2022 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations request process.

The request is to provide funding to rehabilitate Taxiway D. This is the main taxi route to the terminal for air carrier operations that supports air transportation to the community. This portion of Taxiway D is in a high traffic area and the pavement has deteriorated to the point that the pavement surface needs to be removed and replaced. As the pavement continues to deteriorate, there is an increased risk of foreign object debris (FOD) which is a safety risk and can cause significant damage to aircraft. Additionally, failure to rehabilitate the taxi-lane would put BOI out of compliance with FAA regulations and would eventually require a much more extensive reconstruction. Extensive reconstruction would negatively impact air carrier operations and air transportation for the community.

Thank you for your consideration of this critical infrastructure project.

Sincerely,

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Rick Duncan
Airport Real Estate
Alaska Airlines, Horizon Airlines

Airline Affairs Committee:
Alaska Airlines
Southwest Airlines
American Airlines
Delta Airlines
United Airlines



April 2, 2021

Congressman Mike Simpson (ID-02)
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Boise, ID 83702

Dear Congressman Simpson:

I am writing to you today in my role as the Executive Director for Boise Centre to offer my endorsement of Boise Airport's request for \$700,000 of funding through the FY2022 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations request process. As the State's largest convention facility, attracting visitors to our region is an integral and vital part of our business and the Boise Airport is a key partner. The Boise Centre hosts 350 meetings, conferences, and conventions per year hosting nearly 175,000 travelers and guests while having a \$25,000,000 economic impact to the region.

Boise continues to garner National recognition as a vibrant and outstanding destination for hosting all types of events. As indicated by the addition of several new DIRECT FLIGHTS Boise is definitely ON THE MAP and we need to continue to build a competitive advantage for our market!!

This request is for funding to rehabilitate Taxi lane D, which is a critical component of the Boise Airport infrastructure and provides aircraft access to the terminal area. Air travel and access to the national transportation is a priority for our community and a critical economic driver. Our community continues to experience unprecedented growth in passenger enplanements and visitors to our region.

This project will help ensure the Boise Airport is well positioned for the post-covid recovery and the Treasure Valley continues to be a destination of choice for many years to come.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Patrick D. Rice
Executive Director



Tom Mortell, Hawley Troxell
Joel Poppen, Micron Technology
Charlene Maher, Blue Cross of Idaho
Bill Connors, Boise Metro Chamber
Matt Walters, Elam & Burke
Dan Price, Mountain West Bank
Gerald Hunter, Idaho Housing & Finance
Emily Baker, Portman Square Group
Rebecca Hupp, Boise Airport
Phil Archer, Fidelity National Title
Bill Avey, HP, Inc.
Odette Bolano, Saint Alphonsus
Laura Cobb, Citi
John Cunningham, Block 22
Kate Eldridge, HDR Engineering
Mike Garcia, Corporate Office Installations
Garrett Lofto, J.R. Simplot Company
Scott Madison, Intermountain Gas
John McCreedy, Amalgamated Sugar
Bret Moffett, POWER Engineers Inc.
Susan Morris, Albertsons
Jeff Newgard, Bank of Idaho
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Grant Petersen Jr., Bronco Motors
Adam Richins, Idaho Power Company
Sean Robbins, Regence BlueShield
Jim Shipman, Colliers International
Josh Shiverick, Cushing Terrell
Justin Smith, U.S. Bank
Kati Stallings, deChase Miksis
Jeff Taylor, St. Luke's Health System
Jodi Whittaker, Whittaker & Associates
Tom Werner, Lamb Weston
Gioia Woo, Tandem Diabetes Care

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Dear Congressman Simpson:

As the CEO of the Boise Metro Chamber of Commerce and on behalf of our 1900 business members, I writing to offer my endorsement of Boise Airport's request for \$700,000 of funding through the FY2022 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations request process.

This request is for funding to rehabilitate Taxi lane D, which is a critical component of the Boise Airport infrastructure and provides aircraft access to the terminal area. Air travel and access to the national transportation system is a priority for our community. Immediately prior to the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, Boise Airport had experienced unprecedented growth in passenger enplanements. The Airport had already reached 2025 forecasted passenger activity levels and was experiencing significant congestion in most terminal building functions. Airport Activity Forecasts predict that Boise Airport will return to pre-COVID-19 enplanement levels in 2024. Rehabilitation of this taxiway will help ensure the Boise Airport is well positioned for the post-covid recovery.

Thank you for your consideration of this critical infrastructure project. Expanding the capabilities of the Boise airport, expands the opportunities for economic development and recovery for all of Idaho.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Bill Connors'.

Bill Connors, President & CEO
Boise Metro Chamber
Boise Convention & Visitor's Bureau
Boise Valley Economic Partnership