April 22, 2021

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro  
Chair  
House Appropriations Committee  
H-307, The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
House Appropriations Committee  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting $700,000 for the Taxi-lane D Rehabilitation at Boise Airport, Boise ID project in the FY22 Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations bill.

The project sponsor for this project is the City of Boise and the project is located at 3201 W. Airport Way #1000, Boise, ID 83705.

The funding is designated to rehabilitate the portion of taxi-lane D that leads onto the air carrier apron. This is the main taxi route to the terminal for air carrier operations that supports air transportation to the community. Taxi-lane D pavement has deteriorated to the point that the pavement surface needs to be removed and replaced.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars. This portion of taxi-lane 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. In addition, it will put Boise Airport 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.

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

Sincerely,

Mike Simpson  
April 20, 2021