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The Honorable Randy "Duke" Cunningham  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2350 Rayburn HOB  
Washington, DC 20515-0550

Dear Congressman Cunningham:

I would like to express my appreciation to you for your efforts thus far in securing federal transportation funding to complete the missing State Route 56 and Interstate 5 freeway connectors.

As you are aware, the completion of the two missing west-to-north and south-to-east connectors are instrumental in relieving traffic congestion on the Interstate 15 and Interstate 5 freeways. With Caltrans already having built the west-to-south and north-to-east links between the two freeways, we are much closer to addressing another aspect of San Diego's lack of east-west freeways.

Throughout the years, this transportation project has been brought to my attention as being a priority among constituents of the 39<sup>th</sup> District in the State of California. In fact, in 1999, I was successful in securing an additional \$25 million that was needed to keep the project moving. Without these two missing links, drivers will be forced to utilize local streets in Carmel Valley to navigate between State Route 56 and Interstate 5. Besides creating unsafe conditions, this traffic pattern will result in an inefficient flow of commuters and community residents.

I urge your strongest consideration in making this search for funds a priority. If I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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