

United States Senate

March 18, 2024

Michael Regan
Administrator
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

Re: City of Goddard Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) program application

Dear Administrator Regan,

I write today in support of the City of Goddard's application for funding through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Climate Pollution Reduction Grant program for the construction of a bicycle/pedestrian bridge over U.S. Highway 54/400. If funded, this project will provide an environmentally friendly transportation alternative for the residents of Goddard.

Goddard is a growing community located in Sedgwick County, Kan., and part of the Wichita MSA. The city's growth has occurred on both the north and south sides of U.S. Highway 54/400, causing many residents to have to cross the highway to get to and from work, community services and their homes.

The city's proposal includes of the construction of a bicycle/pedestrian bridge over U.S. Highway 54/400 between 183rd Street and 199th Street to serve as a connecting link in the city's active transportation network. This project will drastically reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve carbon sinks by providing a safe transportation alternative for the 22,000 daily vehicles utilizing the location for travel.

I believe this project not only meets the program's goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions, but also addresses significant safety concerns as it will reduce the current dangers present with pedestrians and bicyclists having no safe way to cross the busy four-lane highway.

Thank you for your consideration of the city's application for funding. My office stands ready to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,



Roger Marshall, M.D.
U.S. Senator