



The Honorable Joe Neguse
2400 Rayburn HOB Washington, DC 20515

RE: CDS Community Project Support - Colorado 7 Multimodal & Safety Preconstruction

Dear Congressman Neguse,

The North Area Transportation Alliance (NATA) is a coalition of thirteen local governments, the Adams County Regional Economic Partnership and Smart Commute Transportation Management Organization in the northeast quadrant of the Denver metro area. NATA's partnership of public and private entities collaboratively work to identify, develop, advocate for, and promote transportation solutions that will enhance mobility, drive economic development, and reduce traffic congestion in the north area. Our goal is to ensure an effective regional transportation system that can foster a high quality of life and maintain a highly skilled workforce to support our diverse industries that are in demand in today's economy.

The North Area Transportation Alliance supports the Town of Erie's application for \$5 million as a Congressionally Delegated Spending (CDS) Community Project for Colorado 7 (CO 7) multimodal highway and safety preconstruction activities. The CO 7 Multimodal Corridor, a 25-mile transit and safety improvements project of regional significance, is a project that resides on the highest tier of NATA's Priority Project List. The ultimate multimodal vision creates a safer, sustainable, equitable Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) corridor. As one of the most rapidly growing corridors in the state and a major east-west arterial roadway, the CO 7 Corridor from Brighton to Boulder is a top contender for a successful BRT route connecting to a variety of multimodal amenities along the corridor.

The proposed project aims to improve multimodal efficiencies, improve traveler safety, and increase multimodal services and options along the CO 7 Corridor. It is essential to provide high-quality multimodal travel options for residents and business communities through the design of the ultimate build-out of the Corridor. NATA's membership is in full support of this proposed CDS Community Project.

Sincerely,

Greg Mills
Brighton Mayor, NATA Chair