

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-2308

April 30, 2021

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for Trunk Highway (TH) 95 Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Rail Switch Relocation in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Cambridge, located at 300 Third Avenue NE, Cambridge, MN 55008.

The funding would be used to relocate the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railroad switching equipment approximately one-half mile from its current location next to TH 95 in Cambridge. In its current location, switching activities block the BNSF rail crossing of TH 95 for extended periods of time.

Relocating the railroad switch is vital to the City of Cambridge. During switching operations, closures of the TH 95 rail crossing can last up to 45 minutes. With only two other locations for drivers to cross the BNSF rail line in Cambridge, the closures create gridlock. Approximately 15 trains travel through Cambridge each day. Closures are especially disruptive to public safety and emergency services, school buses, commuters, and freight providers. The switch relocation is the first phase of a project programmed for 2025 to reconstruct TH 95 in Cambridge.

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

Sincerely,



PETE STAUBER
Member of Congress