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Mr. Alan C. Clark MPO Director Houston-Galveston Area Council P.O. Box 22777 Houston, TX 77227-2777

RE: 2015 Transportation Improvement Program Call for Projects; Application ID 300564

Dear Mr. Clark:

On behalf of League City, I am writing to ask for your careful review and support for the application for federal funding assistance for the FM 518 Bypass Hike and Bike Trail project. The project intends to provide connectivity to the City's existing bike trails and follows the City's master bike plan approved in 2010. It provides safe travel adjacent to two schools and provides for a safe crossing under FM 2094; a busy thoroughfare adjacent to Clear Creek Intermediate and Clear Creek High school. The separated shared use path proposed along FM 270 connects on the north to a trail being designed by TxDOT and to an existing shared use path along FM 518. The project is consistent with H-GAC's Regional Bikeway Plan and will provide important connections to existing and planned trails.

The proposed improvements include approximately 2.3 miles of shared use path (10' wide usual), a 125' pedestrian/bike bridge across Robinson Bayou, and bridge rail improvements on an existing bridge that crosses the hot water canal. The existing bridge is currently not used and would become a pedestrian/bike bridge. The project is at approximately 60% complete with design. Geotechnical work has been completed and a drainage report prepared. The environmental documentation was at approximately 80% complete when the project was put on hold previously.

Should the project be selected for federal funding support and programmed in the 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program, League City will provide the required share of the matching local funding contribution as determined by the Houston-Galveston Area Council. Furthermore, we commit to the completion of the project and to develop it in cooperation with the Texas Department of Transportation.



Thank you for the opportunity to submit an application for federal funding support for FM 518 Bypass Hike and Bike Trail project.

Sincerely,

Mark Rohr

City Manager