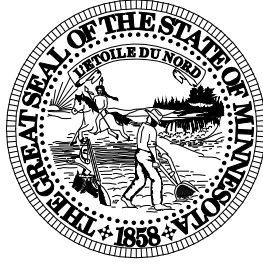


**Paul Novotny**  
**State Representative**

District 30A



# Minnesota House of Representatives

July 19, 2021

Pete Buttigieg  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE  
Washington, DC 20590

**RE: Letter of Support for the 2021 RAISE Discretionary Grant: US Highway 169/County Road (CR 4) Rural Safety and Mobility Interchange Project**

Dear Secretary Buttigieg,

I am writing this letter to express my support for the Sherburne County request for a 2021 DOT INFRA Discretionary grant to improve the safe and efficient operations of the US Highway 169/County Road (CR 4) Interchange.

The Project will replace the last remaining at-grade signalized intersection for a 75-mile section of US 169. The interchange includes a tight ramp configuration west of US 169 and a loop in the southeast quadrant of the interchange.

The proposed design minimizes wetland resources and right-of-way impacts to lands adjacent to US 169 and constructs a safe multimodal pedestrian and bicycle trail facility connection on the proposed CR 4 bridge crossing over US 169. The Project will consolidate and improve 18 local roadway access and 26 private access points on US 169 with a hybrid diamond interchange at CR 4. Construction of the US Highway 169/County Road (CR 4) Interchange Project will greatly benefit my constituents and community.

Please give this 2021 RAISE Discretionary Grant proposal your full consideration. Please feel free to contact me with any questions. I may be reached at 651-296-4237.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul Novotny". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Representative Paul Novotny  
House District 30A