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Amit Bose, Administrator
Federal Railroad Administration
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Subject: BNSF Letter of Support – CSAH 55 Highway-Rail Grade Crossing Elimination Project

Dear Administrator Bose,

BNSF Railway supports efforts by the Kandiyohi County to secure federal discretionary funding under the 2022 Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) grant for the CSAH 55 Highway-Rail Grade Crossing Elimination Project. If awarded, this project would allow the Kandiyohi County to design and plan for the elimination of an at-grade crossing and greatly improve multimodal freight movements through an industrial park.

BNSF values our working relationship with the Kandiyohi County and is prepared to work with all involved public agencies on further development of this project, subject to satisfactory review of final engineering and entering into definitive agreements as may be required by BNSF or other project stakeholders.

BNSF appreciates your thorough review of this application and looks forward to continuing its relationship with the Kandiyohi County through this important project.

Sincerely,

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