



August 2, 2023

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

RE: Funding commitment for the 2022/2023 PROTECT Grant Program: Interstate 94 Snow Fences from Moorhead to Alexandria Project, Minnesota

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

The Minnesota Department of Transportation will locally fund the 20% match for this project, if selected, along with the right of way and engineering from two sources:

1. out of a central pot of \$216.4 million dollars set aside for providing non-federal match to IIJA grant recipients. This funding was provided to MnDOT in our most recent legislative session ending this past May 2023. The 216.4 million is available on a first come first serve basis to IIJA grant recipients.
2. if that central \$216.4 million dollars fund is no longer available, local match will be covered from our District 4 budget

Sincerely,

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Transportation District Engineer  
MnDOT District 4  
Detroit Lakes