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April 12, 2016

The Honorable Anthony Foxx  
Secretary of Transportation  
Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey AVE, SE  
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Foxx:

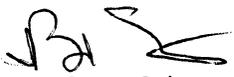
The Town of Strafford writes to express its support for the Town of Northwood, New Hampshire's application for the TIGER VIII grant.

The residents of Strafford rely heavily on the use of Bow Lake Road for access to Route 4 and Coe-Brown Academy. If the bridge over Sherburne Brook was to be completely closed, it would impinge upon Strafford's access to education and to jobs on Route 4, and would require a 15 to 20 mile detour around Jenness Pond to the west or Bow Lake to the east on roads not designed to support an increase in traffic congestion. In addition, the closure of the bridge would have a detrimental effect on Strafford's economy limiting tourism and retail sales in the area.

We, the Board of Selectmen, in the Town of Strafford urge you to consider Northwood's application for TIGER grant funding because of its importance not only to Strafford, but to the entire region.

Sincerely,

TOWN OF STRAFFORD  
Office of the Selectmen



Bryant J. Scott, Selectman



Scott L. Young, Selectman