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Congress of the United States
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The Honorable Pete Buttigieg, Secretary
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

I am writing in regard to the Nationally Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Projects grant application submitted by the Oglala Sioux Tribe (OST). OST intends to use this grant to assist in construction of the Crazy Horse Scenic Byway Pavement Resiliency and Restoration project.

This grant funding will address critical transportation infrastructure needs. According to OST, the current condition of the roadway is insufficient to meet traffic needs and presents safety, accessibility, and sustainability risks. The proposed construction project will address these issues and will ensure consistent, year-round access for Badlands National Park visitors, as well as provide connection to employment, education, health care, goods and services, and Tribal programs for the residents of the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

I strongly urge you to give full and careful consideration to OST's Nationally Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Projects grant application.

Sincerely,

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