

DESOTO PARISH POLICE JURY

July 01, 2024 at 5:04 PM Road Committee Meeting

Police Jury Meeting Room, 101 Franklin Street, Mansfield, LA 71052

AGENDA

Ernel Jones, Chairman, Jimmy Holmes, Nick Rains, Keith Parker and Richard Fuller

- A. CALL TO ORDER
- **B.** CALL FOR ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS
- C. GUEST AND PUBLIC COMMENTS
- D. ROAD ITEMS
 - 1. Authorize the renaming of Wilson Road aka Nelen Pvt Drive as Nelen Drive.
 - 2. Authorize the Parish Administrator to sign a letter of support for I-69 Connector FY 25-26 MPDG Application
- E. ADJOURN

June 26, 2024

Secretary Pete Buttigieg
Office of the Secretary of Transportation
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave SE
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Interstate 69 (I-69) Connector FY 2025-2026 MPDG Application (GRANT14140908).

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

I am writing to you on behalf of the Interstate 69 Frontage Road Connector Roadway Project located in both DeSoto and Caddo Parishes to express ORGANIZTION/CITY's support for the Port of Caddo-Bossier's (The Port) grant application for the Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant Opportunity (MPDG).

This project offers many benefits because truck traffic traveling northbound on I-49 must currently detour into Shreveport before accessing The Port. This detour results in increased travel time, increased emissions, and reductions in safety. The Port has submitted an application for this project requesting \$22,595,853 of the total project cost of over \$81,000,000. This proposed project, if constructed will provide direct access between the Port and I-49, while upgrading the existing roadways, providing new roadway extensions and bridges.

We appreciate your time and effort during the consideration of the Port's MPDG grant application for the I-69 Frontage Road Connector Roadway Project and look forward to moving the project forward through this program with your support.

Sincerely,

