

Attachment C:

# County and State Match Assurance Letters





# Saint Louis County

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Public Works Director/  
Highway Engineer

December 3, 2018

Secretary Elaine L. Chao  
United States Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE  
Washington, DC 20590

RE: FY 2018 Competitive Highway Bridge Program

Dear Secretary Chao,

On behalf of St. Louis County, Minnesota, please accept this letter of match assurance for the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT)/St. Louis County Bridge Bundling Project Competitive Highway Bridge Program (CHBP) grant application. St. Louis County is aware of its minimum required 20% local match commitment and by this letter we are confirming our resources and commitment to it. Our required local match is available and will be committed from our local county and state-aid transportation funds.

The CHBP grant application, presented by the Minnesota Department of Transportation in partnership with St. Louis County, Minnesota, represents an important economic opportunity for the county and communities throughout our region.

Replacing the 21 bridges as a bundled project will allow for significant cost savings and an expedited project delivery process. The new structures will have immediate positive impacts on the local community and will derive short-term and long-term benefits in the areas of economic competitiveness, safety, environmental protection, quality of life, and state of good repair.

Thank you for your commitment to the rural communities in need across our nation. We courteously request your continued support for the MnDOT/St. Louis County Bridge Bundling Project.

Sincerely,

James T. Foldesi, P.E.  
St. Louis County Public Works Director/Highway Engineer



December 4, 2018

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Dustin Thomas'.

Dustin Thomas, P.E.

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