

May 10, 2024

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Foothill Transit Zero Emissions Bus Program in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Foothill Transit, located at 100 S. Vincent Ave., Suite 200, West Covina, CA 91790.

The funding would be used to replace 24 retirement-eligible compressed natural gas (CNG) buses which are at the end of their life cycle and are eligible for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) regulated retirement. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this deployment of zero emissions buses will deliver cleaner, smarter transit service and mitigate poor air quality in one of the nation's most congested regions. The program also involves construction of fueling stations throughout the service area to support a fully zero emissions fleet. As the primary public transit provider in the San Gabriel and Pomona Valleys in eastern Los Angeles County, Foothill Transit serves a population of 2 million residents and has broad reach to several employment hubs, large universities, community colleges, medical care providers, and other vital services.

The project has a Federal nexus because the authorizing legislation is P.L. 117-58, The Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act (IIJA). The statutory U.S. code cite is Title 49, Chapter 53, Section 5302(4).

I certify that neither I nor anyone in my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

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