

RESOLUTION URGING THE ENUMERATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF
U.S. HIGHWAY 151 BETWEEN BELMONT AND DICKEYVILLE
TO A FOUR-LANE EXPRESSWAY FACILITY

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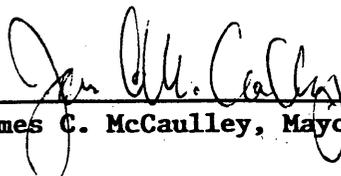
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WHEREAS, the overwhelming consensus of the communities and citizens along the route is in support of the completion of a four-lane divided highway at the earliest possible opportunity; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the
City of Dodgeville hereby:

1. Continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin, and Dubuque, Iowa.
2. Urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility.

Dated this 7th day of May, 1996.



James C. McCaulley, Mayor



Cheryl Menon, City Clerk

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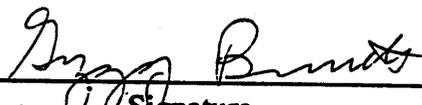
WHEREAS, the overwhelming consensus of the communities and citizens along the route is in support of the completion of a four-lane divided highway at the earliest possible opportunity; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council of the City of
Mineral Point, Iowa County, Wisconsin **hereby:**

- 1. Continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin, and Dubuque, Iowa.**
- 2. Urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility.**

Dated this 4th **day of** June **, 1996.**

City of Mineral Point Common Council


Signature **MAYOR**

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WHEREAS, the overwhelming consensus of the communities and citizens along the route is in support of the completion of a four-lane divided highway at the earliest possible opportunity; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board
of the Village of Cobb **hereby:**

- 1. Continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin, and Dubuque, Iowa.**
- 2. Urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility.**

Dated this 5th **day of** June, **1996.**

VILLAGE OF COBB
(Name of Council, Board or Other Group)

Robert Raelli

Signature

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WHEREAS, the overwhelming consensus of the communities and citizens along the route is in support of the completion of a four-lane divided highway at the earliest possible opportunity; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Highland, Iowa County, Wisconsin hereby:

- 1. Continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin, and Dubuque, Iowa.**
- 2. Urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility.**

Dated this 13th day of June, 1996.

Highland Village Board
(Name of Council, Board or Other Group)


Signature

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WHEREAS, the overwhelming consensus of the communities and citizens along the route is in support of the completion of a four-lane divided highway at the earliest possible opportunity; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village
of Linden **hereby:**

- 1. Continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin, and Dubuque, Iowa.**
- 2. Urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility.**

Dated this 13 **day of** June, 1996.

Village of Linden
(Name of Council, Board or Other Group)

Thomas M. Faulk

Signature

RESOLUTION 1996-170

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CONSTRUCTION OF U.S. HIGHWAY 151
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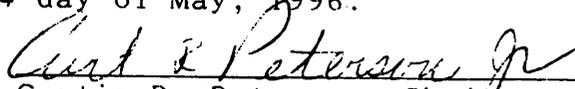
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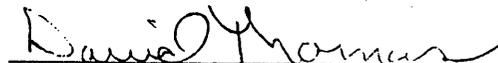
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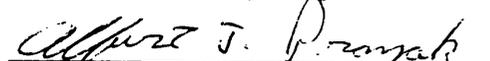
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Dodgeville hereby continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin, and Dubuque, Iowa, and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Dodgeville hereby urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility.

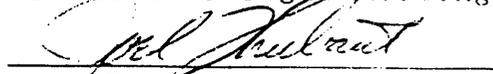
Adopted this 14 day of May, 1996.


Curtis R. Peterson, Chairman


David Thomas, Supervisor


Albert Prazak, Supervisor

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Dodgeville Town Board at a legal meeting on the 14 day of May, 1996.


Joel Thiébaud, Town Clerk

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mineral Point town Board and the townships residents, does hereby:

1. Continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin, and Dubuque, Iowa.
2. Urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility.

Dated this June 19th day of June, 1996.

Mineral Point Town Board
(Name of Council, Board or Other Group)

Paul Zinkelmeier, Chairman
Signature

RESOLUTION 9-96
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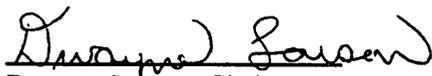
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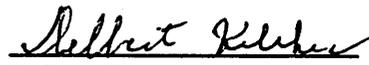
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lafayette County Board of Supervisors, at the request of the Highway Committee, hereby continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin, and Dubuque, Iowa; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lafayette County Board of Supervisors, at the request of the Highway Committee, urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility.

Respectfully Submitted,

HIGHWAY COMMITTEE


Dwayne Larson, Chairman


Delbert Keleher, Supervisor


Henry O. Korn, Supervisor

I, Stephen J. Pickett, Clerk of the County of Lafayette, State of Wisconsin, do certify that this resolution was adopted by the Lafayette County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on June 3, 1996.


Stephen J. Pickett

**CITY OF DARLINGTON
530 WASHINGTON ST.
P.O. BOX 207
DARLINGTON, WI 53530**

May 8, 1996

Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission
Attn: L. Frank Huntington, Transportation Planner
Room 426 Karmann Library
1 University Plaza
Platteville, WI 53818

RE: Support Resolutions

Dear Mr. Huntington;

This letter is a follow up to our telephone conversations, and to the regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Darlington, held May 7, 1996.

Enclosed please find two support resolutions, concerning the long truck route designation, and U.S.H. 151. The Common Council of the City of Darlington is pleased to add their support to the efforts of those in the southwest region of Wisconsin working on these projects. By working together, the entire region can benefit from positive developments such as these two improvement projects.

Thank you for your cooperation in these matters. If we can be of further service to your organization, please let me know.

Sincerely,



Robert E. Siegenthaler
Mayor, City of Darlington

Enc.

**RESOLUTION 96-16, A RESOLUTION URGING THE
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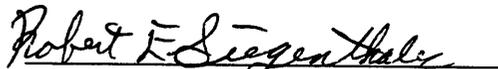
WHEREAS, the overwhelming consensus of the communities and citizens along the route is in support of the completion of a four-lane divided highway at the earliest possible opportunity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Darlington hereby resolves the following;

1. Continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin and Dubuque, Iowa.
2. Urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility.

Adopted this 7th day of May, 1996.

CITY OF DARLINGTON


Robert E. Siegenthaler, Mayor

Attest: 
Philip A. Risseeuw, City Clerk-Treasurer

Resolution No. 6-2-96

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- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Belmont hereby;
1. Continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin, and Dubuque, Iowa.
 2. Urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility.

Dated this 20th day of June, 1996.

Belmont Village Board


Kenneth Leahy, President

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Shullsburg _____ hereby:

1. Continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin, and Dubuque, Iowa.
2. Urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility.

Dated this 2nd day of July, 1996.

Shullsburg Common Council
(Name of Council, Board or Other Group)


Signature



SOUTHWESTERN WISCONSIN REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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PHONE (608) 342-1214
FAX (608) 342-1220

An Economic Development District Serving Grant, Green, Iowa, Lafayette and Richland Counties

DATE: July 9, 1996
TO: Members of the Transportation Projects Commission
FROM: Edward R. Bible, Economic Development Planner
RE: Planned Improvements to US Highway 151, Belmont to Dickeyville Portion

I would like to take this opportunity to comment on the proposed enumeration of the Belmont to Dickeyville portion of US 151. I will briefly address the importance of this highway to southwestern Wisconsin and the State, and will share information on community investments in industrial parks and the relationship of these facilities to this particular highway.

Importance to area and state: US 151 is important not only because it connects Southwest Wisconsin with the important communities of Madison and Dubuque, but because the road directly connects us with two-thirds of the land area of Wisconsin, and about three-quarters of the State of Iowa and points beyond. Within a six hour drive in either direction, we are connected, via other highways, with an estimated six million people! If a person is traveling between Iowa and much of the State of Wisconsin, it is very likely that the route traveled will go through southwestern Wisconsin via US 151. This highway is a key link for many people and many businesses in the area. When one looks at the connections made by this one highway, its importance to Wisconsin is obvious. It is one of only two Mississippi River crossings on primary arterial highways serving Wisconsin and Iowa. The nearest crossings are one hour's driving time to the north and south.

This project will fit in very well with what is planned in the State of Iowa regarding 4-lane corridors connecting Dubuque with Waterloo, Cedar Rapids, Iowa City and the Quad Cities. These five smaller metropolitan areas alone have a combined population of nearly 850,000! The average distance to these areas (excluding Dubuque) is only 103 miles from Platteville, or a two hour drive. The economic linkages are probably far greater than one would imagine and I firmly believe that there is substantial potential for the development of more linkages between those markets (and resources) in Iowa and local business and industry.

The communities of Platteville, Mineral Point, and Dodgeville located on US 151, (as well as Cuba City, Darlington, Fennimore, Lancaster, Shullsburg and other nearby communities) have worked hard to build their capacities to undertake economic development. Much of their future success, it is almost certain, will be tied to having excellent access to the rest of the Midwest, the country and the world. It is widely acknowledged that access to 4-lane (interstate quality) highways rank as either the number 1 or the number 2 site location factor, along with a high quality work force.

Commuting (data derived from 1990 Census): Nearly 3,000 jobs in the three-county area of Grant, Iowa and Lafayette Counties are held by persons who live outside this area. About 2.5 times that many (more than 7,300 area residents) commute to other areas for employment. An estimated 64 percent of all out-commuters (about 4,700) probably utilize US Highway 151 to get to their jobs outside of the area. Among in-commuters, an estimated 22 percent (about 650 people) probably use US 151 for their journey to work. It is estimated that every day about 6,600 people use this important highway for purposes of work, of which an estimated 1,250 (or 19 percent) is strictly "local" traffic in the sense that it remains within the three-county area.

Transportation Projects Commission

July 9, 1996

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Industrial Park Investments: Significant investments have been made by a number of area communities to further economic development. To give you some sense of what has been done in the area, the City of Platteville has, since 1987, invested about \$3.38 million to purchase land, make necessary water and sanitary sewer system improvements, construct roads, and develop Platteville Industry Park into a first class industrial park facility. Only about \$860,000 of the amount spent has been grant funds.

This is a \$2.52 million dollar commitment on the part of a relatively small community, but these efforts are paying off in jobs and added income! Currently, Platteville Industry Park has created about 250 jobs within seven companies. This pace, while it could be argued as somewhat impressive, is much too slow for the likes of those doing the promotion of the area. For that reason, the City, the Platteville Area Industrial Development Corporation, and others have cooperated in the construction a shell building at a cost of \$213,000. Furthermore, the City will potentially need to make an estimated \$1,974,000 in future improvements to expand the park by an additional 76 acres which is currently owned by the City. Also, three additional buildings are to be constructed soon by private parties which represent relocations from within the community.

The City of Mineral Point has purchased land for future industrial use and a feasibility study has been undertaken which identifies a site layout and cost estimates (approximately \$680,000) for improvements to 61 acres of land. The proposed development activities are inextricably linked to US 151 as a new four-lane facility. Indeed, many communities in the area have been making these types of investments. Cuba City, for example, has made investments in their industrial park to accommodate three companies, but have identified a need to make an additional \$2,000,000 in investments which include municipal road improvements and a new sewer main. (An attached map shows the location of existing and planned industrial or business parks in the area.)

Economic Need: These communities need your help in their attempts to broaden the tax base, alleviate relatively low income levels, and reduce the area's high dependence on agriculture, which although important, cannot sustain the population base of the area, nor can it provide many employment opportunities for the region's young people who often must leave their home towns to seek a livelihood elsewhere. While out-migration has been dramatically reduced from the decade of the 1980's, there is still a negative net migration from the three-county area.

In Grant, Iowa and Lafayette Counties, manufacturing wages are currently only 58.33 percent of the state's average manufacturing wage level. Southwestern Wisconsin has the state's lowest concentration of manufacturing jobs and the state's highest concentration of agricultural jobs. The improved industrial parks, as well as improved transportation linkages, are essential to alleviating low wages and providing more jobs for primary wage earners.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this issue. I urge you to give favorable consideration to the enumeration of the Belmont-Dickeyville section of US 151. The State's partnership in providing safe and efficient highways to serve the area is essential, and we are most appreciative of the quality improvements that have been made in recent years.



The University of Wisconsin - Platteville

306 Brigham Hall

1 University Plaza Platteville, Wisconsin 53818 - 3099

(608) 342 - 1234

Office of the Chancellor

July 21, 1994

Executive Director Donald Rosenbrook
Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission
426 Karrmann Library
1 University Plaza
Platteville, WI 53818

Dear Mr. Rosenbrook:

I am writing to express the University's and my personal enthusiastic support for completion of the proposed four-lane expressway between Madison and Dubuque. The University of Wisconsin-Platteville has a long-standing policy of active support for economic development in this area. Since my arrival on campus a year ago, we have strengthened this commitment and are working closely with the businesses and communities of Southwest Wisconsin to broaden and enhance the region's economic base.

Completion of the Highway 151 project is probably the most pressing economic development need for the region and would be the greatest possible asset for growth. Much of our market and service area is outside the region and reachable only by highway, and most efficiently, via Highway 151. Tourism, the region's fastest growing industry, is largely dependent upon the private transportation this project would facilitate. Lack of public and mass transit alternatives further emphasizes the importance of the Highway 151 corridor.

U.S. Highway 151 is vital to this University as well. It is the route by which virtually all of the supplies and equipment we use are delivered, and by which most of our students travel between campus and their homes. Many of our students and staff members utilize it as a commuter route on a daily basis. Easier accessibility will be a valuable marketing tool to attract students and enhance our outreach efforts.

Executive Director Donald Rosenbrook
July 21, 1994
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In closing, I strongly endorse construction of the Dodgeville to Belmont segment of the U.S. Highway 151 project as soon as possible and approval of the Belmont to Dickeyville segment to complete this four-lane expressway in the very near future. This highway is vital to the economic development and vitality of the entire region and completion of the project will be a tremendous asset to Southwest Wisconsin.

Sincerely,

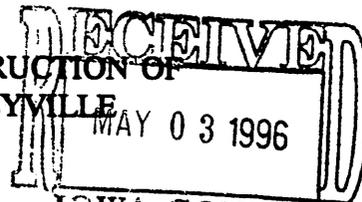


Robert G. Culbertson
Chancellor

RGC:jh

cc: Governor Tommy Thompson
President Katharine Lyall
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Representative Stephen Freese

RESOLUTION URGING THE ENUMERATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF
U.S. HIGHWAY 151 BETWEEN BELMONT AND DICKEYVILLE
TO A FOUR-LANE EXPRESSWAY FACILITY



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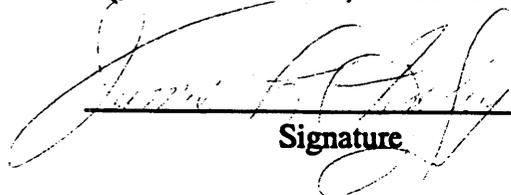
WHEREAS, the overwhelming consensus of the communities and citizens along the route is in support of the completion of a four-lane divided highway at the earliest possible opportunity; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Southwestern Wisconsin Private Industry Council, Inc. hereby:

1. Continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin, and Dubuque, Iowa.
2. Urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility.

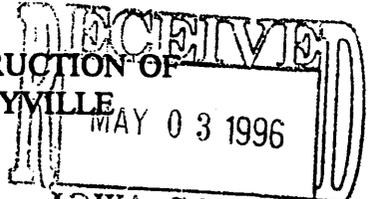
Dated this 15th day of May, 1996.

Southwestern WI Private Industry Council, Inc.
(Name of Council, Board or Other Group)



Signature

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WHEREAS, the overwhelming consensus of the communities and citizens along the route is in support of the completion of a four-lane divided highway at the earliest possible opportunity; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the CESA #3 BOARD OF CONTROL hereby:

- 1. Continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin, and Dubuque, Iowa.
- 2. Urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility.

Dated this 28th day of MAY, 1996.

COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICE AGENCY #3 BOARD OF CONTROL
(Name of Council, Board or Other Group)

Paul Tenney
Signature

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Platteville Board of Education
_____ hereby:

1. Continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin, and Dubuque, Iowa.
2. Urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility.

Dated this 8th day of July, 1996.

Platteville Board of Education
(Name of Council, Board or Other Group)

Albert E. Fathin

Signature School Board Clerk

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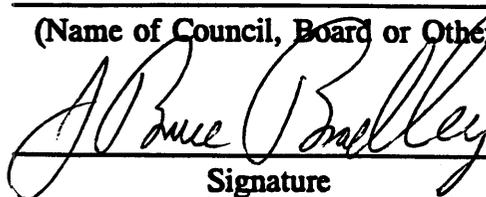
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Southwest Wisconsin Technical College District Board hereby:

- 1. Continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin, and Dubuque, Iowa.**
- 2. Urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility.**

Dated this 27th day of June, 1996.

SWTC District Board

(Name of Council, Board or Other Group)



Signature

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May 14, 1996

L. Frank Huntington, Transportation Planner
SW WI Regional Planning Commission
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Dear Mr. Huntington,

The Southwest Badger RC&D strongly supports the construction of a four lane highway between Madison, WI and Dubuque, Iowa.

For many years Southwest Wisconsin has experienced limited economic growth. A primary reason is that goods produced in SW Wisconsin cannot be adequately transported in or out of the area due to a limited highway infrastructure. Most railroads that hauled goods in the past have been abandoned. The construction of a four lane highway would substitute the railroads and facilitate transportation of goods and materials.

On March 28, 1996, the SW Badger RC&D Transportation Committee met and again emphasized the need of a four lane highway. To sustain economic vitality and growth in SW Wisconsin a four lane highway is much needed. It would also offer tourists easy access to experience the rural life of SW Wisconsin.

The main objective of the Southwest Badger Resource Conservation and Development is to improve the rural development of all resources. To accomplish this objective we need to construct a four lane highway as soon as possible.

The Southwest Badger RC&D thanks you for allowing us to provide comments on this important issue. Please keep us informed of future developments. If we can be of further assistance feel free to contact us. We are committed to "Making It Happen" in Southwest Wisconsin.

Sincerely Yours,



George Nettum, President
Southwest Badger RC&D

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WHEREAS, the Dickeyville to Sandy Hook and Verona bypass segments of this route are under construction and scheduled for completion in 1994 and 1995, respectively.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Verona Common Council
_____ hereby:

- 1) Urges the completion of the entire U.S. 151 corridor between Dubuque, Iowa and Fond du Lac, Wisconsin to a four-lane expressway at the earliest possible date.
- 2) Endorses the USH 151 project between Dodgeville and Belmont and encourages the Transportation Projects Commission to enumerate this project immediately and to expedite construction.
- 3) Urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to immediately begin the development of a Corridor Planning Study and Environmental Impact Statement in preparation for the enumeration and timely construction of the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 to a four-lane facility.

Dated this 27th day of June, 1994.

City of Verona Common Council
(Name of Council, Board, or Other Group)

Arthur R. Cresson
Signature MAYOR



DALE W. SCHULTZ
Wisconsin State Senator

June 10, 1996

Mr. Thomas Evans
Wisconsin Department of Transportation, District One
2101 Wright St.
Madison, WI 53704-2583


Dear Mr. Evans.

Having reviewed the draft Environmental Impact Statement on USH 151, Dickeyville to Belmont, I submit the following testimony.

I concur with the recommended design alternative, a four-lane divided roadway with access management. This design recommendation is needed to meet the safety and capacity requirements for the life of the project. The four-lane divided roadway design is particularly essential to accomplish the long term economic development objectives for this region.

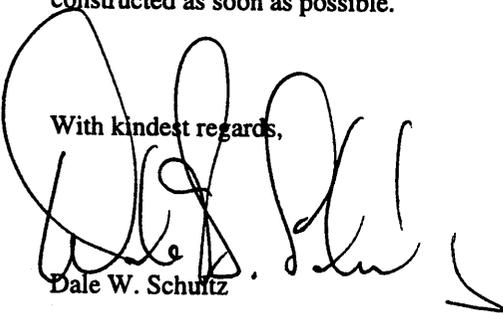
Regarding location, I am generally supportive of the recommended route alternatives. Based on comments I have received, further attention should be given to the Dickeyville bypass location, as well as the Platteville to Belmont rural segment.

In my opinion, the recommended improvements successfully minimize the environmental impacts in the areas of social, economic, cultural, historical, and archeological resources.

I am particularly pleased that the recommended design includes a full east interchange at Platteville to serve the Platteville Industry Park area.

This project has very strong support from the public throughout the region it serves. This project should be constructed as soon as possible.

With kindest regards,


Dale W. Schultz

CC: Frank Huntington, SWRP
Al Probst, Platteville City Manager

Member: Joint Committee on Finance

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Platteville Area Industrial Development Corporation

P.O. Box 252
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608/348-3050

July 9, 1996

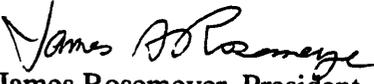
Mr. Frank Huntington, Transportation Planner
Southwestern Wisconsin Regional
Planning Commission
Room 426 Karmann Library
University of Wisconsin-Platteville
Platteville, Wisconsin 53818

Dear Frank:

I am writing this letter on behalf of the Platteville Area Industrial Development Corp., in support of the earliest possible completion of USH 151 from Dodgeville to Belmont and enumeration of USH 151 from Belmont to Dickeyville. The high unemployment rate in this area due to companies downsizing and a major plant closing has made the need to attract new industry a critical issue. As we market this area to prospective businesses, we've become increasingly aware that a major four-lane highway is one of the primary factors considered by site selectors. Improvement of the existing USH 151 to a four-lane highway will be directly related to future economic development in Southwest Wisconsin.

Thank you for your efforts in the completion of this highway project.

Sincerely,


James Rosemeyer, President
Board of Directors



Platteville Chamber of Commerce

Hwy. 151, P.O. Box 16
Platteville, WI 53818-0016

(608) 348-8888

July 16, 1996

L. Frank Huntington
Transportation Planner
Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission
Room 426 Karrmann Library
1 University Plaza
Platteville, WI 53818

Dear Mr. Huntington:

The Platteville Chamber of Commerce feels very strongly that the four-lane U.S. Highway 151 project from Dodgeville to Dubuque needs to be completed as soon as possible. We fully support the continuation of this project along with the proposed three interchanges on the bypass around Platteville (two full and one ½ interchange).

The economic growth and stability of our area is dependent on gaining the full four-lane access from Dubuque to Madison. Platteville is a community that is fortunate to have many resources available to us. With a strong University and public school system in place, a strong local government, beautiful countryside, and an excellent quality of life, the attraction to business in Platteville is considerable. The need for our community to be accessible by a four-lane U.S. highway is urgent.

If the Platteville Chamber of Commerce can be of help to the Commission in any other manner, please let us know. We appreciate your support of this project.

Sincerely,

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Joseph Witmer
Chamber President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kathy Kopp", written in a cursive style.

Kathy Kopp
Executive Director

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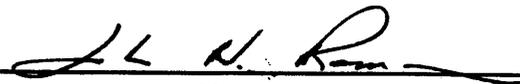
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Green County Development Corporation hereby:

- 1. Continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin, and Dubuque, Iowa.**
- 2. Urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility.**

Dated this 24th day of June, 1996.

Green County Development Corporation
Board of Directors

(Name of Council, Board or Other Group)



Signature

John H. Ramer, Executive Director
per resolution of board

RESOLUTION URGING THE ENUMERATION OF U.S. HIGHWAY 151 BETWEEN
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WHEREAS, U.S. Highway 151 between Fond du Lac, Wisconsin and Dubuque, Iowa is an important segment of the state's highway system and is vitally important to transportation efficiency, economic development and employment opportunities in a large portion of the state; and

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WHEREAS, the segment of U.S. Highway 151 between Madison, Wisconsin and Dubuque, Iowa is of particular importance to the residents of southwestern Wisconsin; and

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WHEREAS, the Dickeyville to Sandy Hook and Verona bypass segments of this route are under construction and scheduled for completion in 1994 and 1995, respectively; and

WHEREAS, since early 1992 the Wisconsin Department of Transportation with the assistance of Rust Environment & Infrastructure, and in cooperation with the Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission and the communities along the corridor has been studying alternative routes for a proposed four-lane U.S. Highway 151 between Dodgeville and Belmont, and has released a Draft Environmental Impact Statement detailing a preferred route for public review and comment; and

WHEREAS, the overwhelming consensus of the communities, townships and citizens along the route is in support of the preferred corridor, as currently identified; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Transportation Projects Commission, created by the Legislature to seek greater public participation in the selection of major highway projects, will be holding public hearings later this summer to hear testimony on candidate projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mineral Point Chamber of Commerce hereby:

- 1) Urges the completion of the entire U.S. 151 corridor between Dubuque, Iowa and Fond du Lac, Wisconsin to a four-lane expressway at the earliest possible date.
- 2) Endorses the U.S. Highway 151 project between Dodgeville and Belmont as designed in the Draft EIS and encourages the Wisconsin Major Projects Commission to enumerate this project immediately and to expedite construction.

Dated this 21st day of July, 1994.

Mineral Point Chamber of Commerce
(Name of Council, Board, or Other Group)

Christine A. Phillipson
Signature

President

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the MISSISSIPPI VALLEY FOREST PRODUCTS, INC. hereby:

- 1) Urges the completion of the entire U.S. 151 corridor between Dubuque, Iowa and Fond du Lac, Wisconsin to a four-lane expressway at the earliest possible date.
- 2) Endorses the USH 151 project between Dodgeville and Belmont and encourages the Transportation Projects Commission to enumerate this project immediately and to expedite construction.
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Dated this 11TH day of JULY, 1994.

MISS VALLEY FOREST PRODUCTS, INC.
(Name of Council, Board, or Other Group)

David S. Hartig, Pres & Gen. Mgr.
Signature

OUR MANUFACTURING FACILITIES ARE AT
DICKEYVILLE, WI. 1/3 OF OUR BUSINESS LIES
ALONG THE 151 CORRIDOR INCL. MILLS FLEET
FARM & OTHER FARM & HOME & LUMBER CO'S.

N.B. → PLEASE ADHERE TO STRICT BILLBOARD CONTROL
STANDARDS WHEN IMPLEMENTING THIS PROJECT

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Insight Industries, Inc.
_____ hereby:

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Dated this 1st day of July, 1994.

Insight Industries, Inc.
(Name of Council, Board, or Other Group)

C. Tang / sp.
Signature

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DODGEVILLE AGR. SERVICE

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Dated this 17 day of JUNE, 1994.

DODGEVILLE AGR. SERVICE INC.

(Name of Council, Board, or Other Group)

Ken Onwueke - MGR.

Signature

Dick's

SUPERMARKETS

BRODBECK ENTERPRISES, INC.

July 11, 1996

Mr. Frank Huntington
Transportation Planner
Southwestern Wisconsin Regional
Planning Commission
Karrmann Library, Room 426
One University Plaza
Platteville, WI 53818

Dear Frank:

With regards to the U.S.H. 151 project between Belmont and Dickeyville we at Brodbeck Enterprises, Inc. (Dick's Supermarkets) feel that the expansion of the existing highway to four lanes is necessary for the Platteville community's growth including economic/industrial growth. We prefer alternative 1-A as the Dickeyville bypass alternative and alternative 3-B as the Platteville bypass alternative. Both alternatives provide a more direct and cost effective approach. A diamond interchange at STH 80/81 is necessary for ingress egress to Platteville and its businesses. Truck traffic and salesmen service our Dick's Supermarket as well as our bakery and deli manufacturing facilities and our headquarters in Platteville.

Please give me a call if you have any questions concerning our position on the U.S.H. 151 project between Belmont and Dickeyville.

Sincerely,



Rick Taggart
Vice President Finance

RT:rh

cc: Robert J. Brodbeck
Barry J. Brodbeck



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WHEREAS, the overwhelming consensus of the communities and citizens along the route is in support of the completion of a four-lane divided highway at the earliest possible opportunity.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Woodward Printing Services hereby:

1. Continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin, and Dubuque, Iowa.
2. Urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility, to include the Dickeyville Bypass Alternative 1A Modified.

Dated this 12 day of July, 1996.

Woodward Communications, Inc
(Name of Council, Board or Business)

Michael J. Gile V.P.
Signature

RESOLUTION URGING THE ENUMERATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF
U.S. HIGHWAY 151 BETWEEN BELMONT AND DICKEYVILLE
TO A FOUR-LANE EXPRESSWAY FACILITY

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lenscraft / Fendall
Companies hereby:

1. Continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin, and Dubuque, Iowa.
2. Urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility, to include the Dickeyville Bypass Alternative 1A Modified.

Dated this 11 day of July, 1996.

Lenscraft / Fendall Co's
(Name of Council, Board or Business)

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Dubuque County
Board of Supervisors

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DONNA L. SMITH
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May 13, 1996

Transportation Projects Commission
Wisconsin Department of Transportation
2101 Wright St.
Madison, WI 53704-2583

The Dubuque County Board of Supervisors urges you to include four lane U.S. Highway 151 between Belmont and Dickeyville in your plan for future major highway improvements in Wisconsin.

It is essential to the economy of Northeast Iowa that to have a four lane divided highway connection to Interstate Highway 90 at Madison. In our planning for the future of the Tri-State Area, we know that the economic future of this section of Iowa, Wisconsin and Illinois will thrive only with connections to the Interstate System. As you know, we have been deprived of that connection.

The ultimate goal of the project is to complete a four lane U.S. Highway 151 from Cedar Rapids, Iowa to Madison, which is a vital link that will make travel safer and will increase employment opportunities along the entire corridor.

We are therefore asking that you heed the overwhelming support for the four lane divided highway to be completed between Dubuque, Iowa and Madison, Wisconsin. Thank you.

Sincerely,

DUBUQUE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



Donna L. Smith, Chairperson

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EAST CENTRAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL ASSOCIATION

DUBUQUE METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

EASTERN IOWA REGIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY

JOB TRAINING PROGRAM (JTPA) - SDA 8

E.C.I.A. BUSINESS GROWTH, INC.

Resolution Supporting the Enumeration and Construction of U.S. 151 from Dickeyville to Belmont To a Four-Lane Expressway Facility

WHEREAS, the Dubuque, Iowa-Illinois Urbanized Area has been established by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, to have a population in excess of 50,000, and the East Central Intergovernmental Association has been officially designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Dubuque area by the Tri-State's Governors, and has delegated this function to DMATS; and

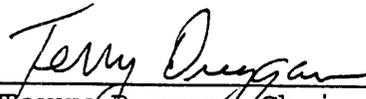
WHEREAS, in accordance with the 1991 Intermodal Surface Transportation and Efficiency Act, the MPO has an adopted long-range transportation plan which: 1) identifies transportation facilities that function as an integrated transportation system; 2) includes a financial plan; 3) assesses capital investment and other measures necessary to preserve the existing transportation system; and 4) will indicate appropriate transportation enhancement activities; and

WHEREAS, U.S. 151 is currently a four-lane facility between Madison and Dodgeville, and between Dickeyville and Dubuque; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and RUST Environment & Infrastructure, in cooperation with the communities along the corridor and the Southwestern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission has been studying alternatives for a proposed four-lane route between Belmont and Dickeyville and the process remains open for comments.

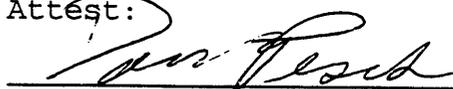
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the DMATS Policy Committee of the East Central Intergovernmental Association urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin DOT to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility.

Adopted this 11 day of June, 1996.



Terry Duggan, Chair
DMATS Policy Committee

Attest:



David Pesch
Senior Transportation Planner





DUBUQUE AREA
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

**RESOLUTION URGING THE ENUMERATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF
U.S. HIGHWAY 151 BETWEEN BELMONT AND DICKEYVILLE
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WHEREAS, the Department and Rust have selected a preferred alternative route but the final route has not been selected and the process is open for additional comments; and

WHEREAS, the overwhelming consensus of the communities and citizens along the route is in support of the completion of a four-lane divided highway at the earliest possible opportunity; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Dubuque Area Chamber of Commerce representing over 1,000 area businesses and organizations hereby:

- 1. Continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin, and Dubuque, Iowa.**
- 2. Urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility.**

Dated this 26th day of JUNE, 1996

Daryl Barklow, Chairman of the Board

RESOLUTION URGING THE ENUMERATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF U.S. HIGHWAY 151 BETWEEN BELMONT AND DICKEYVILLE TO A FOUR-LANE EXPRESSWAY FACILITY

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Belmont hereby:

- 1. Continues to support the need for the construction of a four-lane divided highway on the U.S. Highway 151 route between Madison, Wisconsin, and Dubuque, Iowa.
2. Urges the Transportation Projects Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to enumerate the Belmont to Dickeyville segment of U.S. Highway 151 for timely construction to a four-lane facility.

Dated this 18th day of June, 1996.

Town of Belmont (Name of Council, Board or Other Group)

David J. Hodog Chairman
Ronald O. DeBecker - Supervisor
Steve J. Austin Supervisor
Suzanne Bakke Clerk