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RE: Support for SB 2113 – Flexible Transportation Fund

Chairman Ruby and House Transportation Committee members, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of SB 2113. County Highway Departments appreciate the working relationship with the ND Department of Transportation and the philosophy of working towards one transportation system in our state.

The Flexible Transportation Fund would give the ND Department of Transportation the ability to provide matching resources for federal grant options and assist local governments with improving their transportation infrastructure by giving opportunities to apply for funding on a state and federal level. The transportation infrastructure needs statewide is over \$2 billion and the opportunity to take part in the largest allocation of federal funds for our transportation systems is now. This fund would help reach some of these goals and move our system forward.

Chairman Ruby and House Transportation members, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony and we respectfully request your support of SB 2113.