Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

May 23, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Taxiway Bravo & Echo Stage II Construction: Greeley-Weld County Airport (GXY) project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Greeley-Weld County Airport Authority, located at 600 Airport Rd, Unit A, Greeley, Colorado 80631.

The funding would be used for Stage II construction of Taxiway Bravo, the Bravo 1 connector, and the connecting segment to Taxiway Echo to enable long-term airfield development program and significantly enhance the operational capacity, efficiency, and safety of the airport. Stage II is part of a three-phase Northeast Hangar Complex development plan. In addition to enabling alternative access to both runways (17/35 and 10/28), this project is essential for maintaining operations during future runway and taxiway rehabilitation by providing bypass routes around construction areas. It also opens access to future hangar development sites, alleviates current hangar shortages, and aligns with Greeley-Weld County Airport's long-term vision to pursue Part 139 certification and expand regional economic impact. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it aligns with the airport sponsor's broader strategic growth plan, which forecasts the creation of over 4,600 jobs and \$1.3 billion in annual visitor-related spending through expanded airport operations and associated economic development throughout the City of Greeley, Weld County, and the Northern Colorado region.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 49 U.S.C. 47100 et seq.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

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Gabe Evans Member of Congress