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Mr. Russel Cox, Resident Engineer
Region 1 - Foothills Residency
Colorado Department of Transportation
425 A Corporate Circle
Golden, CO 80401

Dear Mr. Cox:

Jefferson County Open Space is in support of the Rivers, Roads and Recovery project's application for the TIGER grant. The unique partnerships formed in the planning of this project meet the spirit of the special criteria of the TIGER grant. By bringing together the Colorado Department of Public Health and the Environment, the Federal Environmental Protection Agency, the Army Corps of Engineers, the Colorado Department of Wildlife, Jefferson County and numerous other local agencies, this project presents an opportunity to clean up the superfund sites along North Clear Creek, enhance the safety of public travel, both motorized and non-motorized and substantially add to the outdoor recreational opportunities in the area.

As you are aware Jefferson County Open Space has a major interest in the development and management of the resources in Clear Creek Canyon along U.S. Highway 6. We appreciate the opportunity to partner with CDOT on projects within the Canyon. Improved public safety and access to the recreational opportunities in the Canyon are two of the benefits that would be achieved with a successful grant award. Only by working in concert with all the stakeholders can these mutually beneficial actions take place, and the Rivers, Roads and Recovery project will allow this work to be done in an efficient manner.

Please add Jefferson County Open Space to your list of supporters for this project.

Sincerely,

Ralph Schell, Jefferson County Open Space Director

cc: Amy Ito
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