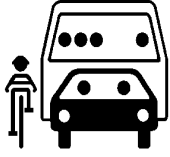


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Honorable John Dingle
US Representative District 15
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Re: Stadium Bridges, Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County

Dear Representative Dingell:

The Washtenaw Area Transportation Study supports the City of Ann Arbor application for discretionary funding for the reconstruction of the Stadium Bridges over State Street and the Ann Arbor Railroad. These bridges are in the Washtenaw County 2030 Plan and are a regional priority for improvement.

The City of Ann Arbor recently reduced traffic on the bridge over State Street to two lanes in an effort to protect the public yet not cut off this important link to University facilities and the access to the freeway.

WATS recommends that the City of Ann Arbor's request for funding for these important structures receive consideration for the discretionary funding.

Sincerely,

Terri Blackmore,
Executive Director

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