





September 23, 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg Secretary, U.S. Department of Transportation 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE Washington, DC 20590

RE: Federal Rail Administration Docket No. FRA-2022-0031 Expression of Interest

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

This letter is intended to serve as an expression of interest in response to the May 12, 2022, Notice of Establishment of the Corridor Identification and Development Program. The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT), Idaho Transportation Department (ITD), and Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) look forward to jointly submitting a proposal for Intermountain and Desert Wind Corridors under the program.

The proposed Desert Winds corridor will strengthen connections between metropolitan centers of Salt Lake City, Utah and Las Vegas, Nevada.

The proposed Intermountain corridor will strengthen connections between metropolitan areas of Salt Lake City, Utah and Boise, Idaho

UDOT, ITD, and NDOT appreciate this opportunity to respond to the Notice of Establishment. Please contact Brian Allen, UDOT Transit Program Director at brianja@utah.gov, Scott Luekenga, ITD Planning and Development Manager at e-mail: scott.luekenga@itd.id.gov or WP 208-334-8057, and Sondra Rosenberg, NDOT Assistant Director, Planning, at srosenberg@dot.nv.gov with any questions regarding this submission.

Sincerely,

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