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November 14, 2018

The Honorable Leslie Richards, Secretary
PA Department of Transportation
Keystone Building
400 North Street
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Secretary Richards,

I am writing to strongly support East Fallowfield Township (Chester County) and their application to be awarded funding through the Department of Transportation Multimodal Transportation Fund grant.

It is my understanding that funding through this program will be used for stabilization improvements to the roadway embankment along a 502-linear foot portion of Mortonville Road which is adjacent to the Brandywine Creek. Due to heavy rain events and erosion of the roadway embankment, a portion of Mortonville Road, located approximately 550 feet south from the intersection of Mortonville Road and Saw Mill Road, has been closed in one direction since 2014. Portions of gravel and sediment from the roadbed are also impacting the nearby Brandywine Creek. With the grant, East Fallowfield Township is proposing to install a roadway stabilization system along Mortonville Road using 20' long soil nails, horizontal drains reinforced shotcrete, and a retaining wall constructed on the micropiles. Further, the stabilization project on Mortonville Road will not only lessen the negative environmental impacts of roadway sediment entering the Brandywine Creek, but will also make it operational and safe for vehicular traffic.

I strongly support East Fallowfield Township and their application for funding through the Multimodal Transportation Fund. The dedication and commitment East Fallowfield Township officials have made to help improve the health and wellbeing of their residents is truly extraordinary and will have a lasting impact on the community for generations. Because of this, I believe that the Department will find East Fallowfield Townships' efforts meet the letter and spirit of the program and respectfully urge the Department to award the full amount of their request. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Andrew E. Dinniman
State Senator – 19th District

Cc: Mr. Scott Swichar, Manager