



September 24, 2014

Mayor Dennis Coombs
City of Longmont
350 Kimbark Street
Longmont, CO 80501

RE: LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR SOUTHWEST LONGMONT SUBAREA OPERATIONS STUDY

Dear Mayor Coombs,

This letter is to confirm the North Area Transportation Alliance (NATA) support for the proposed City of Longmont Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) project **Southwest Longmont Subarea Operations Study**.

We feel that this project provides a critical study for operational improvements to an area on the northwestern edge of our Alliance boundaries. For the last two years, NATA has identified a portion of this study area as a Tier III project for follow up funding opportunities. We feel the City of Longmont is doing their due diligence by requesting a study of this area first, with the complications of the new mall traffic expected with the redevelopment of the Twin Peaks Mall to the Village at the Peaks; the recently added Bus Rapid Transit corridor from the Northwest Area Mobility Study (NAMS) and the ever growing congestion in the SH-119 corridor from a growing household population in Southwest Weld County paired with the growing job base in the City of Boulder.

We are hopeful that the Denver Regional Council of Governments and the Colorado Department of Transportation look favorably on the City's TIP application for the benefits it ultimately provides to the citizens of this portion of the region.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Erik Hansen, Chair of NATA
Adams County Commissioner

c: NATA Board