



October 24, 2012

Mayor Michael Hancock
Denver Municipal Building
1437 N Bannock Street
Mayor's Office - Room 350
Denver, CO 80202

Adams County

Adams County
Economic Development, Inc.

Brighton

City of County of Broomfield

Commerce City

Dacono

Erie

Firestone

Frederick

Longmont

Metro North
Chamber of Commerce

Northglenn

Smart Commute Metro North

Thornton

Westminster

RE: Ramp at Peña Boulevard and Tower Road

Dear Honorable Mayor Hancock:

The purpose of this letter is to communicate the North Area Transportation Alliance's (NATA) support for the design and construction of the missing ramp on the northwest quadrant of the intersection of Peña Boulevard and Tower Road. NATA respectfully requests that the City of Denver fulfill its commitment to Commerce City by way of an expedited process to get the ramp built.

As you know, NATA is a partnership of public and private entities in the North I-25 Corridor working to identify, develop, advocate and lobby for transportation solutions that will enhance mobility, drive economic development and reduce traffic congestion in the north metro area. NATA members all firmly believe that regional cooperation is the key to our region's economic development success. We also know that our ability to think regionally and to work with our neighbors is what sets us apart in this State and in the Country.

NATA sees the completion of the missing Peña Boulevard – Tower Road interchange as a major piece of the transportation puzzle of the region. NATA is confident that the ramp will help generate economic growth that will benefit DIA, Commerce City and its neighboring communities. NATA understands that there are many details yet to be resolved. However, the design and construction of this ramp should move forward as soon as possible. Finally, NATA believes that maintaining forward progress on this project will undoubtedly help the City and County of Denver to capitalize on current opportunities and promote collaboration amongst all the partners involved.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this valuable project.

Sincerely,

Nancy McNally
Chair



Cc:

North Area Transportation Alliance Members:

Adams County (Erik Hansen)

Adams County Economic Development (Jeff Kulman)

City of Brighton (Lynn Baca)

City & County of Broomfield (Pat Quinn)

City of Commerce City (Sean Ford)

Town of Dacono (Charles Sigman)

Town of Erie (Jonathan Hager)

Town of Firestone (Chad Auer)

Town of Frederick (Eric Doering)

City of Longmont (Katie Witt)

Metro North Chamber of Commerce (Jonathan Perlmutter, Howard Gelt)

City of Northglenn (Joyce Downing)

City of Thornton (Val Vigil)

City of Westminster (Nancy McNally)

Smart Commute Metro North TMO (Karen Stuart)