

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-0904

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The Honorable Peter DeFazio
Chair
House Committee on Transportation &
Infrastructure
2251 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Sam Graves
Ranking Member
House Committee on Transportation &
Infrastructure
2164 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeFazio and Ranking Member Graves:

On behalf of the Jacksonville Aviation Authority (JAA) and my constituents in Northeast Florida, I am requesting \$600,000 for the Approach Road at Cecil Air and Space Port in the surface transportation reauthorization legislation. The project is located at 13365 Simpson Way, Jacksonville, FL, 32221.

This funding will provide for the completion of the Design, Environmental Review and Permitting for the Approach Road at Cecil Air and Space Port. The roadway will extend access from the main public road through developable areas to the Spaceport Operations Area. This roadway infrastructure will promote economic enhancement by establishing the critical infrastructure required to support a robust, multi-user aviation and aerospace commercial business community on the east side of Cecil Air and Space Port.

Cecil Airport creates a \$3 billion economic impact for Northeast Florida. Cecil Spaceport is one of twelve licensed commercial spaceports in the U.S. and supports space industry growth focused on small satellite and space tourism deployment into Low Earth Orbit.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Thank you for your consideration of this project that is of significant importance to my district.

Sincerely,



John Rutherford
Member of Congress