

September 12, 2022

Eduardo Calvo, AICP Executive Director El Paso Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)

Re: Letter of Commitment for the Application to the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Discretionary Grant Program to Develop a Regional Comprehensive Action Plan for the El Paso MPO Planning Area

Dear Mr. Calvo:

El Paso County believes this project to be a worthy investment and has fully committed to providing \$50,000 as part of the local contribution towards the FY 2022 SS4A Discretionary Grant Program to develop a comprehensive regional action plan for our communities if awarded. The El Paso County Commissioners Court has approved this funding to demonstrate our organization's dedication and commitment to ensure this project achieves successful outcomes.

This study will allow the communities in our region for the first time to develop an action plan that includes a wide spectrum of infrastructure strategies and projects as well as behavioral and operational initiatives to prevent death and serious injury on our roads and streets. Traffic deaths and injury have historically exacerbated inequality among members of our diverse community, and pedestrians make up more than a quarter of all traffic deaths. The resulting action plan will help our region to define strategies to systematically address the needs of all roadway users, including: pedestrians, bicyclists, public transit, private vehicles, and commercial vehicle operators, including those who live in underserved areas of the community.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact please contact Sal Alonzo, Associate Director of Planning and Development at (915) 546-2015.

Sincerely,

Judge Ricardo A. Samaniego El Paso County