

# Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Pete Buttigieg  
Secretary of Transportation  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE  
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

We write to express our strong support for the applications submitted by the Hector International Airport in Fargo, North Dakota, to the Federal Aviation Administration's Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Airport Terminals Program. Thank you for your consideration and attention to this important project.

The Hector International Airport is critical to the economy and quality of life in the Red River Valley, a dynamic region that has experienced significant growth for more than a decade. The Fargo-Moorhead Metropolitan Statistical Area grew by more than 40,000 people from 2010 to 2020, with the region's economic activity having expanded by nearly 30 percent over the same time period. To ensure it can continue to meet the demands of residents, visitors, and businesses, the Hector International Airport is seeking additional federal funding to support its Terminal Expansion Project.

Funding from this application would enable Hector International to move forward with needed expansions and updates to the airport's facilities, which will in turn, support continued growth in the communities the airport serves. Hector International Airport's Terminal Expansion Project includes adding four additional gates and associated holdrooms, while reconfiguring, expanding and updating existing facilities to both accommodate forecasted demand and improve accessibility. At the same time, the airport's mechanical and electrical systems will be replaced to improve energy efficiency and reduce the airport's long-term operating costs.

Accordingly, we hope applications relating to Hector International Airport's Terminal Expansion Project receive your favorable consideration, and all North Dakota applications receive your full and fair consideration. Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please keep us informed of the review process, and feel free to contact our offices with any updates or inquiries you may have.

Sincerely,



John Hoeven  
U.S. Senator



Kevin Cramer  
U.S. Senator



Kelly Armstrong  
Member of Congress