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Re: Hoan Bridge Bicycle/Pedestrian Lane

Dear Ms. Gellings,

HGA Architects and Engineers, Inc., supports the creation of a Bicycle and Walking Path on the Hoan Bridge. This path will complete Milwaukee County's Oak Leaf Trail between Downtown and Bay View. It is our belief that our business and our community both depend on a mature multi-modal transportation system in the Milwaukee region and that a bike and pedestrian path over the Hoan Bridge is a critical link in such a system. As a business in Milwaukee's Third Ward with over 120 employees, we know that our staff which live south of downtown and commute by bicycle will benefit directly from a safe separated path over the Hoan Bridge, as described in Section 1A of the October 2011 draft I-794 Lake Freeway Bicycle/Pedestrian Feasibility Study by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. We are encouraged by the support that the Bike the Hoan concept has received from the City of Milwaukee, the Harbor Commission, State Senator Larson, and others; and wish to add our voice to that support.

Sincerely,

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