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Charles F. Soules, P.E.  
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Dear Mr. Soules:

I want to inform you that your request for a Geometric Improvement project on US-40, from Monterey Way to Folks Road, and Economic Development project on K-10 at Franklin Road, were not selected for the fiscal year 2011 program.

With both the Comprehensive Transportation Program (CTP) coming to an end and the current federal transportation spending bill expiring in 2009, there are many uncertainties about future funding and resulting cash flow. As a result, project selections for the Economic Development and Geometric Improvement (ED/GI) program were significantly scaled back. We recognize these are important projects to communities with more than \$240 million having funded more than 400 local economic development and geometric improvement projects across the state during the last 20 years. However, we must responsibly manage our budgets given the uncertainty of future funding.

For your information, only two projects were recommended for approval for the 2011 ED/GI program, Wellington and Pottawatomie County. These projects were selected due to safety concerns and because they provide significant economic development benefit. These projects utilized an estimated total of nearly \$1.2 million of KDOT funds in comparison to last year when \$12 million in projects were funded. Your interest in the ED/GI Program has been appreciated.

Sincerely,



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