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Dear Secretary Powell,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing on behalf of the Planning Commission of the Town of Central to kindly request your continued support in the construction of the Green Crescent Trail. We understand that, due to various challenges, the project (SCDOT Project ID P041351) has recently experienced a delay. While we fully appreciate the constraints of the South Carolina Department of Transportation's resources and the many demands placed upon them, we would like to respectfully ask for consideration in expediting the Green Crescent Trail's construction as soon as circumstances allow.

This trail has the potential to be a tremendous asset to Central, providing not only recreational opportunities but also promoting sustainable transportation options for our residents. We believe it will greatly enhance our town's connectivity and contribute to both the health and well-being of the community, as well as foster further economic development.

We also want to take a moment to express our sincere gratitude to the SCDOT for its exceptional response to Hurricane Helene. Your department's swift actions in ensuring the safety and resilience of our roadways during such a challenging time have been commendable. It is a clear testament to the dedication and hard work that your team brings to every project, large or small. We recognize that the many emergency repairs necessitated by the storm have caused significant impacts across our region and our project is just one of many that was affected.

Thank you for your attention to this request and for your ongoing commitment to the development of South Carolina's transportation infrastructure. We look forward to continuing our collaboration with the SCDOT and are confident that together, we can make the Green Crescent Trail a reality for Central.

Sincerely,



Justin Rakey
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