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John Cox – Director
Wyoming Department of Transportation
5300 Bishop Blvd.
Cheyenne, WY 82009

Dear Director Cox:

The Wyoming Landscape Conservation Initiative would like to express our strong support for the proposed TIGER Discretionary Grants funded projects, which would benefit wildlife in Wyoming while improving motorist safety by decreasing the potential for wildlife – vehicle collisions.

Implementation of these projects may allow for re-establishment or maintenance of the following crucial wildlife migration corridors throughout the state:

- The Trappers Point bottleneck in the 160-mile migration route from Grand Teton National Park to Southwest Wyoming.
- Daily and seasonal movements of wildlife along US-189 in stretches of the highway heavily used by the energy industry.
- North/south wildlife migration corridors that were effectively severed as a result of constructing I-80.

These projects complement our goal of conserving world class wildlife resources and facilitating responsible development. Therefore, we are pleased to endorse and fully support the Wyoming Department of Transportation in their efforts to secure TIGER Funds and implement the proposed projects.

Thank you for your efforts in developing these proposed projects. If we can provide additional assistance, please let me know.

Sincerely,



John Linn
Chair
Executive Committee
Wyoming Landscape Conservation Initiative