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Members of the United States Senate United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator,

Modernizing America's transportation infrastructure has long been a priority for Farm Bureau and is the reason why the American Farm Bureau Federation supports H.R. 3684, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act invests \$110 billion in U.S. roads and bridges, \$65 billion for broadband, and \$17.3 billion for ports and inland waterways. In addition, this bipartisan agreement includes several provisions designed to boost the resiliency of our farms, ranches and rural communities. It makes significant investments in western water infrastructure that is necessary to ensure future production opportunities for our members being negatively impacted by prolonged drought conditions.

These investments are necessary and, in many cases, overdue. The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act will enhance the efficient and cost-effective transport of agricultural and food products resulting in substantial contributions and opportunities for U.S. economic growth and trade.

Farm Bureau also strongly supports Section 23018 of the bill that would provide the flexibility needed to safely transport the animals in our care to their destinations. We encourage you to oppose any harmful amendments that would undermine this carefully crafted bipartisan agreement.

Through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Congress and the Administration have the opportunity to boost the competitiveness of American Agriculture. Farm Bureau urges support and enactment of this bipartisan legislation.

Sincerely,

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