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| 3        | Andrzej Midak            | Thank You Meridian for new code / law which allows park trailers, RV etc. on streets....., now don't have to visit Grand Canyon NP....., also it is unsafe.....  | E-mail |
| 3        | Steven Huettig           | <p>A couple comments:</p> <p>1) Someday a belt route around Boise would be nice. It could leave I-84 somewhere around Caldwell, go to Kuna, and meet back up with I-84 at the Micron exit, or the next exit east (Blacks Creek).</p> <p>2) project 23202, jct I-84/US 93: Please add a right turn lane on the west-bound off ramp!</p>   | E-mail |
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| 3 | Jessica Thornock | A priority should be an overpass on Linder Rd. Our neighborhood that is south of the freeway has our elementary and high school students zoned for schools across the freeway on Linder. If there was an overpass it would provide a safer route for our neighborhood kids as well as alleviate traffic on ten mile and meridian road which are becoming very congested. We need more access north and south over the freeway  | E-mail |
| 3 | Donn Carnahan    | I support adding the I-84 Linder Road Overpass to the ITIP.  | E-mail |
| 3 | Royce Larson     | You have a long term plan listed at <a href="http://itd.idaho.gov/funding">itd.idaho.gov/funding</a> which details many plans at many locations throughout the State including a small list for Gem County. I do not disagree or otherwise opine on those plans.<br>This message is to request that you include a long term plan to properly deal with Highway 52 in and around the City of Emmett. As you obviously know, tremendous area growth is projected and expected in the area of Gem County around Emmett in the upcoming years. Handling traffic on the existing route of Highway 52 through the middle of the historical town of Emmett would be difficult and expensive unless serious changes are made in the long term plan. One can easily visualize essentially destroying the commercial activity along H-52 in emmett and thus effectively destroying the viability of the small city to exist and resulting in some other entity resulting to governmentally operate this area of Gem County. Such state highway construction will be very expensive when it happens. Choosing a new route now to get the highway into position to far better serve the ultimate Gem County area while making a state highway that will serve the traveling public more safely and at much more acceptable cost is proposed.<br>There have been some considerations regarding routing Highway 16 more or less straight north toward Black Canyon Dam. It is too late for that since the area through which such a route would go is nearly filled up with subdivisions and other development. Those problems provide a very good reason for the proposed relocating of Highway 52. Timing of such a possible relocation is becoming critical for a successful result. You are urged to initiate a proper study to consider the Highway 52 concerns along with Highway 16 so to result in showing the planned solution for this growing area. | E-mail |
| 3 | Peter Tarricone  | I support a new bridge over I-84 at Linder Road and ask that it be included in the ITIP.   | E-mail |
| 3 | Jim Lowery       | I would like to support the City of Meridian's position that the overpass for Linder Road is an important component to improving the traffic congestion issue we have in Meridian.<br>The Meridian Road/Kuna Highway is rapidly approaching the same mess we experience on highway 55 (Eagle Road). The Linder Road overpass would move some of the vehicle traffic off of Meridian Road interchange.  | E-mail |
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| 3 | City of Kuna     | The City of Kuna offers it suppo1t to the City of Meridian in their request for a new bridge over 1-84 to be added to the FY2023-2029 Draft ITIP.<br>State Highway 69 (Meridian Road) and Ten Mile Road serve as the main travel corridors connecting the cities of Kuna and Meridian with the existing interchanges at 1-84. Both of these roadways terminate at or near State Highway 26 (Chinden Boulevard). The construction of the bridge over 1-84 would provide the Linder Road corridor with approximately 17 miles of continuous roadway, which is approximately five (5) miles longer than that of Meridian and Ten Mile Roads. This provides a continuous route serving the cities of Kuna, Meridian and Eagle.<br>The Linder overpass will provide a benefit to the regional transportation system by reducing congestion, improving community safety and increasing opp01tunity for economic  | E-mail |
| 3 | Amber Warren     | I support a new bridge over I-84 at Linder Road and ask that it be included in the ITIP.   | E-mail |
| 3 | Celeste Fox      | am a resident of Meridian & live close to Eagle, Locust Grove, & I-84. The growth of Meridian, as well as surrounding areas, has grown way beyond the infrastructure to support it. Eagle road is broken & Locust Grove isn't far behind. If this area is to remain a great place to live, the road situation needs to be addressed. I have no idea why the Linder/I-84 overpass project list doesn't have this as a top priority to take some pressure off the busiest roads here.<br>PLEASE PLEASE RECONSIDER & ADD THIS OVERPASS TO THE TOP OF THE PROJECT LIST   | E-mail |

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| 3 | Jennifer Barela              | I have a public road safety concern that needs to be addressed. Can you please assist with helping me get this email to the correct place?<br>When driving the freeway Eastbound and taking Meridian exit 44 onto SH-69 towards Kuna, the lane designation lines have faded and need to be repainted. Or a sign that shows appropriate lane designation (Similar to Park Center BLVD lane designation sign). When exiting the freeway drivers go from a two lane off-ramp to a three lane road and drivers are guessing which of the 3 lanes they should turn on when heading South. There are several times I have witnessed cars narrowly escape collision accidents caused by this lane confusion on my daily commute. It's important this safety issue is fixed as fast as possible. Can you please respond to let me know this email has been received and if I've sent it to the correct place? I would greatly appreciate it!  | E-mail |
| 3 | Rita J Paulin-Alexander      | I live on Kimra Street off of Barrett and Crestwood by the corner of Franklin and Linder. Our neighbors and I have a concern about the Linder expansion going in. Because there is already a problem with people cutting through our subdivision to avoid the light at Franklin and Linder now, we would like to know what you are going to do to respect the integrity of our subdivision. There are a lot of children and animals in this subdivision and we have concerns for their safety. We would appreciate you taking this into consideration! Thank you.   | E-mail |
| 3 | Beau Manwaring               | I am in full support of the construction of the new Linder Road Overpass for the following reasons:<br><ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It will Save Time– <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o for local area residents to travel in town; for city residents and commerce who today wait at interstate arterials</li> </ul> </li> <li>• It will Save Money – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o In reduced fuel costs due to shortened travel times, and for businesses who can shorten routes</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Improves safety in the community – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Providing more direct access to neighborhoods and schools in the local area, and to the broader community as resources can be better balanced throughout City.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Reduces congestion – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Morning and evening commutes gain more options to get around and through town, and interstate arterials see less direct burden.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• It would give another unbroken north-south arterial in County, providing another option for connectivity from Beacon Light to Snake River.</li> <li>• It would free up arterials and State Highway 69 and overall reduced congestion.</li> <li>• It would take needed pressure off of the interchanges at I84&amp;Meridian and I84&amp; Ten Mile.</li> </ul>   | E-mail |
| 3 | Heather Spicer               | Please make Hwy 16 from Hwy 44 to Emmett 4 lanes a priority. There has been such an influx of moving to the area that the increase in accidents is phenomenal.  | E-mail |
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| 3 | Meridian Chamber of Commerce | The Meridian Chamber of Commerce respectfully submits this letter as part of the public comment process for the FY2023-2029 Draft ITIP. The Meridian Chamber, representing almost 800 business members, applauds ITD's efforts to advance several projects in the draft ITIP that have been needed for many years. Unfortunately, one project that is not currently in the Draft ITIP is a project we believe is an important component to smart growth and reduction in transportation congestion in our community - an overpass of Interstate 84 at Linder Road.<br>A new bridge over I-84 at Linder Road will provide additional capacity and north-south connectivity between Kuna, Meridian, and Eagle. The Meridian Chamber Board of Directors and Government Affairs Committee, as well as our Economic Development Committee agree that this overpass will have a positive impact on economic development and improve mobility in Meridian to allow for more efficient north/south transportation. We support the City of Meridian's commitment to seeing this project built the allocation of \$2.5 million from its general fund to date to finance the design of the overpass and the associated roadway widening north and south of the Interstate on Linder Road.<br>In summary, transportation improvements along Linder Road are necessary to realize our full economic growth potential and for the long-term viability of our region and the state of Idaho. Therefore, we encourage ITO to include the Linder Road Overpass in the FY2023-2029 ITIP, to identify construction funding dollars for this project and further the development effort to construct this critical improvement as soon as possible. | E-mail |
| 3 | Uhl Albert                   | A pedestrian & bicycle bridge is needed over the north channel of the Boise River. I walked this commute for a couple years and it was always stressful walking in the shoulder over the bridge. Even though there's no project, this should also be done over the South Channel.   | Webmap |
| 3 | Nathan Hesterman             | The Karcher Rd widening project should extend to Riverside Rd. to catch all of the boat trailer traffic going to Lake Lowell boat ramps. Alternatively, the Karcher/Riverside turn lane project should be reinstated for left turns onto Riverside. Very busy during rush hours too.  | Webmap |

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| 3 | Chris Hopper         | The mill and inlay performed 5-7 years ago on this segment did not address the base failures causing the rutting and pavement fatigue.  | Webmap       |
| 3 | Brandon              | Project located at incorrect location.  | Webmap       |
| 3 | Forrest Ihler        | When redoing this intersection, please make sure pedestrians are accommodated for with crosswalks and sidewalks along with adequate street lighting. Also make sure the intersection can handle a lot of traffic for many years to come.  | Webmap       |
| 3 | Stephen Novak        | Add a SECOND EASTbound ON-ramp (bridge over Indian Creek) onto the EASTbound I-84 and a new lane (widening) on Karcher from Nampa-Caldwell Blvd (at Stanton Optical) to feed this new on ramp:<br>There is only one lane from E'bound Karcher from Nampa-C. Blvd and Karcher backs up PRIOR to Nampa-Caldwell Blvd (from Middleton Rd) with the loading for the ONE Eastbound I-84 on ramp, so we also need a SECOND dedicated Karcher lane from Nampa-C. Blvd to the new SECOND on-ramp bridge.<br>Once entered, the new SECOND on ramp bridge lane would merge into the existing on ramp lane before it reaches the freeway. This additional capacity relieves the Karcher/Nampa-C. Blvd gridlock.<br>The bike lane & sidewalk is dangerous and a dedicated bike/pedestrian bridge that runs parallel to the existing RR XING bridge (w same clearance) should be considered. Then route them UNDER the 2 E'bound on-ramp bridges at ADA grades up to the existing signalized pedestrian crossing at the ex. E'bound signalized onramp. | Webmap       |
| 3 | J.R. Echevarria      | With the vast numbers of new homes and businesses in the area surrounding SH 16 and SH 44, it seems an alternate route from this intersection to hwy 84 is prudent. To include an opportunity to enter/exit hwy 84.<br><br>This would give commuters to/from this venue to/from hwy 84 not only an equally direct entry onto the freeway, but when traffic is slowed or even closed off, as it typically is daily during morning and evening commute hours on weekdays,<br><br>Expanding SH 16 into a roadway similar to Ten Mile Road would seem to alleviate backups for commuters. Currently, especially as people are going into or from work Ten Mile corridor from Star City to hwy 84 is always a slow commute at best.<br><br>The new residents can expect tax funded improvements to be added to their fuel or property taxes to alleviate their (& those traveling through) mobility throughout the area.   | Webmap       |
| 3 | Pike Teinert         | The program year for this project is really 2500? Maybe that's a typo.  | Webmap       |
| 3 | Chris Johnson        | I ask that you consider immediate funding of an Overpass along Linder Road, between Franklin Road and Overland Road over I-84. As a resident south of Franklin Road, I am concerned that I have no way out of my neighborhood should an accident occur near the Franklin/Linder intersection. Hundreds of residents live in the 3+ HOAs south of Franklin and north of the interstate. Aside from the potential for us to be unable to leave our subdivision, the lack of an overpass at Linder Road put excessive strain on other southbound lanes. Cars are stacked at the Franklin intersection, and then further stacked southbound at Ten Mile, Overland, and the onramp to I-84. The completion of an overpass will create a much needed third option to get to I-84 (south, then north to the onramp), Kuna, and other destinations south of Meridian. The completion of an overpass also allows Meridian Fire to reduce response times, as a call from my subdivision would be easily answered by Station 6, instead of #1.       | Webmap       |
| 3 | Stephen Lewis        | I support the join City/ACHD/ITD project to construct an overpass of I-84 at Linder Road in Meridian. I ask that ITD program future construction funds for the overpass structure.  | Webmap       |
| 3 | Tracy Hopkins        | This comment is intended to lend my support to the above mentioned project. This project will help alleviate congestion on both Ten Mile and Meridian Rd interchanges, help goods and services moving North and South, through the City of Meridian. This would be a wise investment by ITD to help preserve the existing infrastructure by spreading the capacity throughout the valley, instead of funneling everyone to Meridian Rd and Ten Mile. As the valley grows to the South, congestion on Meridian Rd and Ten Mile is getting increasingly bad and something is going to have to be done to accommodate that growth, either expand Meridian Rd or and another arterial option.   | Webmap       |
| 3 | Kyle McAllister      | We really need another exit between Nampa and Caldwell. If we can't use the existing Ustick or Linden interchanges due to the airport then build a new interchange. Most people agree that we need this now, not in 30+ years from now.   | Social Media |
| 3 | Chris Danley         | Sidewalks on Chinden, State Street, more protected crossings for both an Broadway as well. Let's improve safety and mobility for all! With me?  | Social Media |
| 3 | Jim Larsen           | Need more traffic cams on I-84 in caldwell.   | Social Media |
| 3 | Julie Adams Randolph | Hwy 21! Fix dangerous areas.  | Social Media |
| 3 | Owen Kugler          | How about interchanges at five mile, Cloverdale, Locust Grove, Robinson, Black Cat, Middleton, Ustick and Linden.<br><br>Bottle necking all the traffic in the treasure valley through 5 exits is asinine and creates congestion and as a result of more time spent in traffic worse air quality  | Social Media |
| 3 | Connie Adams McGowan | Banks Intersection  | Social Media |
| 3 | Vance M. Allen       | If it's your jurisdiction, the traffic light timing on Eagle Road in Meridian/Boise and on Garry in Nampa could really use a review...  | Social Media |
| 3 | Darin Freburchaus    | Hwy 55 from Midway Rd to Pride Ln. ITD widened from there to Marsing 30 years ago only because of who lived on that stretch. Backwards "planning" by ITD.   | Social Media |
| 3 | Cynthia Smith Yuen   | Widening and then, expanding to the interstate, Hwy.16.   | Social Media |
| 3 | Jon Fimea            | Hwy 55 between I-84 and Marsing   | Social Media |
| 3 | Ryan Ducan           | HWY 55 out of Nampa. For the love of God, widen the SOB already.  | Social Media |

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| 3 | Gerald Johnston      | The Treasure Valley could use a Southern Belt Way. Not quite freeway grade. This would take pressure off I84. Route would start at Kuna Mora exit run south of Kuna  | Social Media |
| 3 | Stacey Harmon        | Maybe address the safety of The EXISTING Highway 16 safety, to many deaths to go ignored.  | Social Media |
| 3 | Paula Guest          | expand Hwy 16 down to the freeway. Add an extra lane into and out of Emmett  | Social Media |
| 3 | Carol Lake Zurich    | Is there a meeting that we can attend when this is be discussed? — Can we make a presentation? — Hwy-16 from Hwy-44 into Emmett is the deadliest 13-mile stretch in Idaho. It needs to be a lighted 4-lane highway. It was scheduled to be done, but politics killed it. The Environmental Impact Study was done in 2001, and it's fine. This project needs to be the priority and completed ASAP. | Social Media |
| 3 | Julie Adams Randolph | Hwy 21!  | Social Media |
| 3 | Joyce Miller         | Hwy 55   | Social Media |
| 3 | Douglas Ward         | Fix the new bumpy mess you just made westbound I 84 between Nampa & Caldwell!  | Social Media |



Mayor Robert E. Simison

**City Council Members:**

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Joe Borton  
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July 5, 2022

Bill Moad, Chairman  
Idaho Transportation Board  
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RE: FY2023-2029 Draft Idaho Transportation Investment Program (ITIP)

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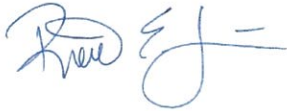
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Cc: Scott Stokes, Director  
Caleb Lakey, District 3 Engineer  
Miranda Carson, City of Meridian Comprehensive Associate Coordination Planner

Bill Moad, Chairman  
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Thank you for your consideration.

**David Turnbull**

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I support adding the I-84 Linder Road Overpass to the ITIP.

Thanks,



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**Peter Tarricone**

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13 July 2022.

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-Chase Newman

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To Whom It May Concern,

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  - Morning and evening commutes gain more options to get around and through town, and interstate arterials see less direct burden.
- It would give another unbroken north-south arterial in County, providing another option for connectivity from Beacon Light to Snake River.
- It would free up arterials and State Highway 69 and overall reduced congestion.
- It would take needed pressure off of the interchanges at I84&Meridian and I84& Ten Mile.

Best Regards,

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Please make Hwy 16 from Hwy 44 to Emmett 4 lanes a priority. There has been such an influx of moving to the area that the increase in accidents is phenomenal.

Thank you for your time  
Heather Spicer

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You have a long term plan listed at [itd.idaho.gov/funding](http://itd.idaho.gov/funding) which details many plans at many locations throughout the State including a small list for Gem County. I do not disagree or otherwise opine on those plans.

This message is to request that you include a long term plan to properly deal with Highway 52 in and around the City of Emmett. As you obviously know, tremendous area growth is projected and expected in the area of Gem County around Emmett in the upcoming years.

Handling traffic on the existing route of Highway 52 through the middle of the historical town of Emmett would be difficult and expensive unless serious changes are made in the long term plan. One can easily visualize essentially destroying the commercial activity along H-52 in emmett and thus effectively

destroying the viability of the small city to exist and resulting in some other entity resulting to governmentally operate this area of Gem County. Such state highway construction will be very expensive when it happens.

Choosing a new route now to get the highway into position to far better serve the ultimate Gem County area while making a state highway that will serve the traveling public more safely and at much more acceptable cost is proposed.

There have been some considerations regarding routing Highway 16 more or less straight north toward Black Canyon Dam. It is too late for that since the area through which such a route would go is nearly filled up with subdivisions and other development. Those problems provide a very good reason for the proposed relocating of Highway 52. Timing of such a possible relocation is becoming critical for a successful result.

You are urged to initiate a proper study to consider the Highway 52 concerns along with Highway 16 so to result in showing the planned solution for this growing area.

Royce Larson

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July 12, 2022

RE: FY2023-2029 Draft Idaho Transportation Investment Program (ITIP) Linder Road Overpass Letter of Support

Bill Moad  
Idaho Transportation Board  
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Boise, ID 83707-1129

The City of Kuna offers its support to the City of Meridian in their request for a new bridge over I-84 to be added to the FY2023-2029 Draft ITIP.

State Highway 69 (Meridian Road) and Ten Mile Road serve as the main travel corridors connecting the cities of Kuna and Meridian with the existing interchanges at I-84. Both of these roadways terminate at or near State Highway 26 (Chinden Boulevard). The construction of the bridge over I-84 would provide the Linder Road corridor with approximately 17 miles of continuous roadway, which is approximately five (5) miles longer than that of Meridian and Ten Mile Roads. This provides a continuous route serving the cities of Kuna, Meridian and Eagle.

The Linder overpass will provide a benefit to the regional transportation system by reducing congestion, improving community safety and increasing opportunity for economic development.

Sincerely,

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July 5, 2022

Bill Moad, Chairman  
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RE: FY2023-2029 Draft Idaho Transportation Investment Program (ITIP)

Dear Chairman Moad,

The Meridian Chamber of Commerce respectfully submits this letter as part of the public comment process for the FY2023-2029 Draft ITIP. The Meridian Chamber, representing almost 800 business members, applauds ITD's efforts to advance several projects in the draft ITIP that have been needed for many years. Unfortunately, one project that is not currently in the Draft ITIP is a project we believe is an important component to smart growth and reduction in transportation congestion in our community - an overpass of Interstate 84 at Linder Road.

A new bridge over I-84 at Linder Road will provide additional capacity and north-south connectivity between Kuna, Meridian, and Eagle. The Meridian Chamber Board of Directors and Government Affairs Committee, as well as our Economic Development Committee agree that this overpass will have a positive impact on economic development and improve mobility in Meridian to allow for more efficient north/south transportation. We support the City of Meridian's commitment to seeing this project built the allocation of \$2.5 million from its general fund to date to finance the design of the overpass and the associated roadway widening north and south of the Interstate on Linder Road.

In summary, transportation improvements along Linder Road are necessary to realize our full economic growth potential and for the long-term viability of our region and the state of Idaho. Therefore, we encourage ITD to include the Linder Road Overpass in the FY2023-2029 ITIP, to identify construction funding dollars for this project and further the development effort to construct this critical improvement as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

A blue ink handwritten signature, appearing to read 'Sean Evans', is written over a horizontal blue line.

Sean Evans  
President/CEO  
Meridian Chamber of Commerce

Cc: Miranda Carson, City of Meridian Comprehensive Associate Coordination Planner





# West Ada

## SCHOOL DISTRICT

July 8, 2022

Bill Moad, Chairman  
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RE: FY2023-2029 Draft Idaho Transportation Investment Program (ITIP)

Dear Mr. Moad:

The purpose of this letter is to encourage the Idaho Transportation Department to include the Linder Road Overpass in the FY2023-2029 ITIP.

The West Ada School District has previously expressed support of an overpass at Linder Road. This will benefit the community by connecting schools on the north and south sides of the freeway which can help shorten bus routes and reduce fuel costs. It also provides option for balancing enrollment among our schools.

A bridge over I-84 at Linder Road will improve safety, have a positive impact on economic development and improve mobility. Thank you for your consideration of this critical improvement.

Sincerely,

Marci Horner  
Planning Administrator