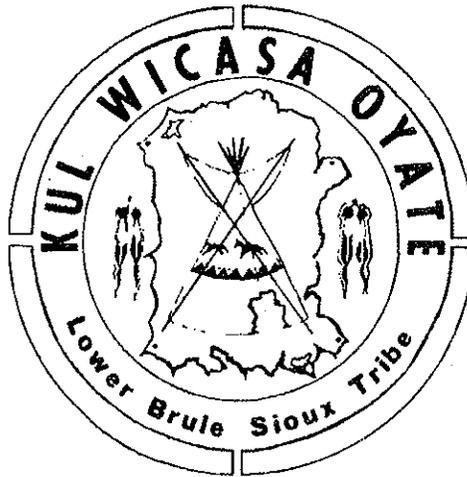


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April 24, 2009

Stephanie Herseth-Sandlin  
331 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Stephanie:

**This letter is to support the request for funding for a transportation High Priority Project to provide Medicine Bull Memorial Highway Roadway Lighting.**

By lighting this route, several benefits are realized. The 1.6 miles from West Brule to the tribal administration building is narrow with no shoulders. The pedestrian traffic shares a 26' wide asphalt roadway with over 1500 vehicles per day. The speed limit is 35 miles per hour resulting in substantially increased user costs. The new judicial center on the east end of the project is opening with 80 new jobs. This will increase both the vehicular and pedestrian traffic compounding the threat of injury or death. A transportation enhancement project is programmed for 2009 to construct a pedestrian walkway in the westerly 1.6 miles of this proposed project. It was originally planned to incorporate the lighting with the walkway. Increased construction costs have caused the enhancement project to be down sized to match the funding causing the lighting to be eliminated.

Please consider funding this important Project.

Sincerely,

  
Michael B. Jandreau  
Tribal Chairman