



Secretary Pete Buttigieg
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

RE: Local Match Commitment – Salt Lake City RAISE Planning Grant 2022

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of Salt Lake City Department of Public Utilities, I write in support of the request for \$5 million worth of federal assistance through the U.S. Department of Transportation Building American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) program for Solving the Puzzle of Salt Lake City East West Connections.

In demonstration of our full support and in the event of a RAISE Planning grant award, the Department of Public Utilities is contributing \$5,000 worth of local nonfederal match as part of the \$1.37 million worth of local match committed by Salt Lake City.

The Interstate-15 and rail corridor proposed for study are the western boundary of a Federal Emergency Management Agency designated 100-year floodplain. The Department is conducting a comprehensive review of the Flood Hazard Area (FHA) mapping and studies, identifying capital improvements and operational changes to reduce FHA, and completing a Stormwater Master Plan for the area. The RAISE Planning project is an opportunity for a comprehensive analysis of surface transportation improvements for multiple east-west connections that considers impacts to water and sewer lines, ground water, and floodplain. Such a study is necessary to understand, categorize and mitigate all anticipated utility impacts and ensure that our utilities continue to provide equitable services to all our rate payers.

We look forward to collaborating with the City's Division of Transportation and the project team on this planning effort. Please contact me at (801) 483-6741 with any additional information needs or questions. Thank you for your consideration of Salt Lake City's RAISE Planning funding request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Laura Briefer".

Laura Briefer
Director
Salt Lake City Department of Public Utilities

