



June 8, 2026

Honorable David Fink  
Administrator  
Federal Railroad Administration  
1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E.  
Washington, DC 20590

**RE: City of Sandpoint Letter of Financial Commitment– Great Northern Road Rail and Corridor Safety Project (DOT #058819S)**

Dear Administrator Fink:

On behalf of the City of Sandpoint, I am pleased to provide this Letter of Financial Commitment for the City's application to the Federal Railroad Administration's Railroad Crossing Elimination Program for the Great Northern Road Rail and Corridor Safety Project.

The City is requesting federal funding to complete the Great Northern Road Rail and Corridor Safety Project, which includes roadway reconstruction, multimodal transportation improvements, stormwater improvements, utility upgrades, rail crossing safety improvements, and related infrastructure improvements. The project will improve safety, mobility, emergency access, community connectivity, and long-term infrastructure conditions along a critical transportation corridor in northwest Sandpoint.

The total estimated project cost is approximately \$31 million. The City understands that the Railroad Crossing Elimination Program requires a non-Federal local match. The estimated local match is approximately \$6.2 million, representing the required 20% non-Federal match, and is anticipated to be funded through a combination of Sandpoint Urban Renewal Agency funding and City water and sewer enterprise funds.

The City is committed to providing the required non-Federal local match for the project, subject to grant award, confirmation of eligible project costs, final grant terms, budget authority, and City Council approval of grant acceptance and related funding commitments.

This commitment demonstrates the City's partnership in advancing a project that will provide meaningful public benefits, including improved rail corridor safety, improved mobility for people and goods, improved emergency access, reconstruction of a critical local transportation corridor, and support for continued economic vitality in the community.

The City appreciates the Federal Railroad Administration's consideration of this application.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Grimm  
Mayor  
City of Sandpoint, Idaho

Attest:  
Meri Jane Bohn  
City Clerk