



April 12, 2022

Mayor Jake Windham
City of Pearl
PO Box 5948
Pearl, Ms. 39288

RE: Letter of Support – Pearl/Richland Intermodal Connector Phase II
2022 DOT-RAISE Planning Application

Hello Mayor Windham,

Our company previously wrote a letter to you hoping that our voice would be heard and be an influence toward Phase 1 for the overpass bridge project at the railroad crossing on Pearson Rd. We are so thankful that our voice was heard and funding has been secured.

We applaud you for your continued leadership in partnership with the City of Richland and your persistence to actively pursue completion of the Pearl/Richland Intermodal Connector Project – Phase II. Your persistence definitely paid off as we see construction has begun on Phase I.

We understand that funding is needed for Phase II that will extend to Highway 49 in Richland. This will also have a huge impact, not only for businesses but also for the residents in this area since it is such a busy traveled area.

We strongly support your \$5M 2022 RAISE Planning application which will allow work to immediately proceed with design to incorporate new environmental sustainability measures and innovative technologies. I believe that this planning grant is vital to continue the project's strong momentum toward construction.

Please accept this letter as our recommendation and our support of the funding of Phase II. We know that you will do everything within your power to also make Phase II a reality.

Thank you for everything to you for the City of Pearl, Mississippi.
We appreciate you and your efforts to make this upcoming Phase become a reality.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Debbie Tindell". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Debbie Tindell/Administrative Coordinator
Helmerich and Payne, Inc.