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Tom Faella  
Executive Director  
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RE: State Project 8580-149 Dresbach Bridge Project

Dear Mr. Faella:

Thank you for your letter of February 15, 2011 reiterating your position regarding bicycle/pedestrian facilities on the I-90 bridge over the Mississippi River. You also indicated the Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee has a desire for a public meeting with Mn/DOT to discuss the plans for the project.

For the past year or so, we have been directed to study alternative measures to reduce costs while still adhering to the original purpose and need of the project. We are completing those studies and will be scheduling the public hearing as soon as possible. We are also moving forward with certain phases of the final design so that we can meet the scheduled letting date of February, 2012.

We plan to meet with the Technical Advisory Committee and the Public Advisory Committee and present the amended preferred alternative in late March or early April, 2011. We can meet with the BPAC separately or perhaps members of the BPAC would like to attend the PAC meeting when it is scheduled. I will give you advance warning of these meetings so you can inform them of the meeting.

Sincerely,

Craig Falkum  
District Structures Engineer

cc: Nelrae Succio, Jai Kalsy, Greg Paulson, File

