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RE: SD Highway 34 Four The Future Project

Dear Russell:

The City of Colman would like to express our support for the construction of an extension of the 4-lane highway of SD Highway 34 from Madison to I-29. SD Highway 34 Four The Future project would be a safety benefit for the Colman community.

Colman has a lot of traffic flowing through town on Hwy 34 from I-29 to and from Madison, its surrounding lakes, and the Dakota Ethanol plant. The City of Colman would support this project for the safety of our citizens, as traffic has a tendency to be heavy going through Colman at times, and the four lanes outside city limits would improve the flow of traffic in Colman. We also feel there would be fewer accidents if four lanes were constructed so people have an extra lane to turn at intersections, also to help keep the on going traffic moving.

Currently the City of Colman is developing an area east of town along Highway 34 for Economic Development, therefore the development will lead to more traffic. The four lane highway would enhance Colman's community growth and be more accessible and safer for everyone. The City of Colman would strongly support SD Highway 34 **Four** The Future project.

Sincerely,

Brent Nelson, Mayor City of Colman