

June 15, 2022

The Honorable Sig Hutchinson Chair, Wake County Board of Commissioners PO Box 550 Raleigh, NC 27602

RE: Triangle Bikeway Funding for Design and Environmental Documentation

Dear Chair Hutchinson,

I am writing today to express the Research Triangle Foundation of North Carolina's support for the Triangle Bikeway and our commitment to making it a reality for our region. The Triangle Bikeway will provide significant benefits to our region and its residents by offering a safe route for active commuting that will connect people to jobs, including the 55,000+ jobs located in Research Triangle Park (RTP).

I understand that Wake County is preparing to commit the funding necessary to complete design and environmental documentation for the Triangle Bikeway segments in Wake County. We are appreciative of Wake County's leadership in moving the Triangle Bikeway forward from concept to design – and thanks to your leadership, we see this moment as an ideal opportunity to partner to also advance the portion of the Triangle Bikeway in RTP.

To that end, we are prepared to commit \$485,000 to partner with Wake County to complete design and environmental documentation for the Triangle Bikeway from its origin in Wake County, through RTP to our western boundary, located near the TW Alexander Drive bridge at I-40. This amount is consistent with the cost estimate for pre-construction activities for the Triangle Bikeway portion located in RTP provided to us by the Triangle Bikeway Study team in April 2022.

We thank you again for your leadership in advancing the Triangle Bikeway and look forward to working with Wake County to make this important project a reality for our region.

Sincerely,

Scott Levitan

President & CEO, Research Triangle Foundation of North Carolina Contractor for the Durham-Wake Counties Research & Production Service District