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Tom Prestash, P.E.  
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Re. State College Area Connector Comments

Dear Mr. Prestash,

The Potter Township Board of Supervisors greatly appreciate your recent Elected Official update meeting at the Boalsburg Fire Company and the August 15, 2024 Public Meeting for our citizens, at the State College Middle School. The presentation of the alignment revisions was very useful and helped us to evaluate the impact to our community.

Our Board totally supports the central alignment because it minimizes impact to productive farmlands, avoids our wetlands and limits historical impacts. It also has the lowest residential displacement and avoids impacting the important Stone Mountain Bird Area. We understand its impact on our Baseball Complex but believe we can provide our citizens with recreational opportunities at a different location more central to our base population.

However, we **are not in agreement** with the total elimination of an interchange near our PCI (commercial and light industrial) area. The PCI area was established along the existing 322 corridor to enhance our community by providing a location where our businesses and small industrial employers could grow away from our farms and residential zoning. Convenient and efficient access to the PCI area by customers and logistics is essential for the area to exist and grow. **We strongly request you revisit the decision to exclude an intermediate access** between Potters Mills and Boalsburg and add a simple on/off access at the PCI Area, possibly utilizing Summer Lane.

The support of PennDOT is appreciated and we are ready to discuss how we work together to move forward with this very much needed highway project.

Sincerely,



Glenn Roth, Chair  
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