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The Honorable Kevin Ruane
Chairman
Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization
800 Dunlop Road
Sanibel, Florida 33957

Dear Mayor Ruane:

Congratulations on the $10,473,900 TIGER 2013 Discretionary Grants Program: Capital Grants award for the construction of a regional trail network in Lee County. The organization's dedication to the people of Lee County is appreciated and laudable.

Best wishes for continued success.

Sincerely,

Bill Nelson

U.S. Department of Transportation
Office of the Secretary of Transportation

1200 New Jersey Ave., S.E.
Washington, DC 20590

NOTICE OF GRANT AWARD

Title:	**US DOT's FY 2013 National Infrastructure Investments or TIGER 2013 Discretionary Grants Program: Capital Grants**
DOT Agency Disbursing Funds:	**Office of Secretary of Transportation**
Project Name/Number:	**Lee County Complete Streets Initiative**
Award Recipient	**Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization**
City/Country/State	**, FL**
Place of Performance	**Lee County, Florida**
State Congressional District	**13, 14, 17, 19**
Entitle Amount	**$ 0.00**
Discretionary Amount	**$ 10,473,900.00**
Total Grant Amount	**$ 10,473,900.00**
DOT Regional Office/Telephone Number	**Natalie Angelo - 202-366-4573**

Description:
The project will complete three sections of the regional trail network: the Tour de Parks Loop, the University Loop, and the Bi-County Connector.

This project will connect an integrated system of walking, bicycling, and transit facilities that connect major commercial, residential, and recreational facilities. Safety benefits will be significant due to the dedicated bike facilities and intersection improvements, so bicyclists will not have to compete with vehicles in an active roadway lane.

Should you have any questions, please contact the Office of Governmental Affairs (202)366-4573.