

RESOLUTION NO. 2350

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION (SWLA-RPC) FOR LOUISIANA PLANNING DISTRICT 5 APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT) FOR A BRIDGE INVESTMENT PROGRAM (BIP) GRANT FOR THE I-10 ELEVATED GRADE SEPARATION PROJECT AT FABACHER ROAD IN SULPHUR, LOUISIANA.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Southwest Louisiana Regional Planning Commission have identified several major infrastructure improvements of critical importance to the urban and rural region of Southwestern Louisiana; **AND**

WHEREAS, the Commission supports and coordinates federal, state and local governments on initiatives that leverage scarce public resources specifically for needed community facilities; **AND**

WHEREAS, the U.S Department of Transportation (DOT) manages and offers a competitive "Bridge Investment Program (BIP)" Grant program that can assist the Southwest Louisiana Regional Planning Commission meet a priority regional need for future rail access and a realignment and extension of an elevated section of Interstate 10 (I-10) to provide clearance to pass underneath; **AND**

WHEREAS, Calcasieu Parish, with an extensive economic impact from industrial and commercial expansion, lacks rail access south of Interstate 10 (I-10); **AND**

WHEREAS, there is a critical need to provide multimodal connections and critical roadway access to support this economic boom; **AND**

WHEREAS, local and regional stakeholders have developed an pragmatic elevated clearance designed to accommodate multimodal transportation; **AND**

WHEREAS, the Southwest Louisiana Regional Planning Commission works to facilitate planning and development throughout the region and rail and multimodal transportation infrastructure is a priority concern for Calcasieu Parish and the Interstate system;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT) FOR A BRIDGE INVESTMENT PROGRAM (BIP) GRANT FOR THE I-10 ELEVATED GRADE SEPARATION PROJECT AT FABACHER ROAD IN SULPHUR, LOUISIANA.

THIS RESOLUTION BEING APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON THE 24TH DAY OF JUNE 2026.


Jacob Dillehay, Chair

ATTEST:


Michael Hollier, AICP
Executive Director