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The Honorable Martha McSally  
United States Senate  
2201 East Camelback Road, Suite 115  
Phoenix, AZ 85016

Dear Senator McSally:

I learned today that Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell is closing the door on infrastructure investment in the next coronavirus relief package.

Incorrectly, he stated that there was not a nexus between infrastructure and the COVID-19 Crisis. Two weeks ago, the Arizona Department of Transportation's (ADOT's) CFO Kristine Ward reported the highway construction program may have to cut as much as \$540 million over the next three to five years. The excise tax going into Maricopa County's Regional Area Road Fund (RARF) and Pima's County's Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) is also expected to decrease significantly. March collection figures from this source is not expected to be known until the middle of May, while's April's is not expected until the middle of June. Decreases are expected in every region and city of the state. All these revenue losses are ***directly related to the COVID-19 crisis***.

The Arizona Chapter of the Associated General Contractors (AZAGC) is working with a large coalition of public-sector and private-sector interests to ensure the state, county and city losses are included in the next coronavirus relief package. We are asking you and Arizona's entire delegation to support this effort. Additional information regarding specifics will be forthcoming.

Thank you very much for your serious consideration.

Sincerely,

David M. Martin  
President

cc: AZAGC Board of Directors  
Governor Doug Ducey  
Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell  
Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi