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Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Partnership Program

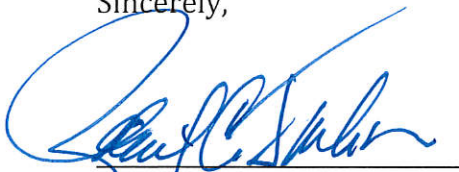
Dear WSDOT officials:

We, the Lewis County Commissioners, strongly support the joint efforts to electrify the US-12 highway corridor. The installation of electric vehicle (EV) charging stations will support the growing electric vehicle market in Washington state and allow urban EV owners to venture out into our rural communities, promoting tourism and economic development around western Washington.

The US-12 corridor has been identified by the Washington State Department of Transportation as offering insufficient charging opportunities, and the highway also has been identified as a high priority for the installation of EV charging stations. With a 42 percent increase in plug-in electric vehicle registrations (including both battery-operated and plug-in hybrid electric vehicles) between 2017 and 2018, electrification of the US-12 corridor is crucial in supporting interstate travel within Washington.

We are writing to express support of the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Transportation Alliance (EVITA) project along the US-12 corridor. We agree with its objective, which is to advocate for sustainable electric transportation infrastructure and to take action to promote public/private partnerships for the development of electric vehicle (EV) charging stations along the US-12 corridor, including our communities.

Sincerely,



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