

## Cullman County Soil & Water Conservation District

July 18,2018

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing this letter to discuss the roads in Cullman County. Most of the roads are not in the best shape and need to be fixed. Cullman County is number one in agriculture, with many farmers all around the county the roads need to be in the best shape they can be. When the farmers transport their goods, whether it being animals, crops, or produce, they want to get their product to its destination in the best condition it can possible be. With it being said about transporting, farmers need their equipment in the best condition possible. If they have to keep taking their vehicles, trailers, and other equipment to the shop or fixing it themselves, they cannot take their products to the market or sale and make money that the farmers need. This is why the roads need fixed and to be in the best shape possible. Please consider this for the funding to not only help the county but the farmers most of all so we can all eat.

Thank you,



Robert Harbison, Chairman

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*Conservation Is A State of Harmony Between People and Land*

Golden Rod / Ingram Farms

Cullman, Alabama 35055

Cullman County Economic Development  
325 Second Street SE  
Cullman, Alabama 35055

7/10/2018

To Whom it May Concern:

Golden Rod Broiler, Inc. has 153 poultry farms in Cullman County with 28 trucks servicing these farms. I am writing this letter in support of attaining a grant to improve the farm roads in Cullman. Our trucks are on these roads daily delivering baby chicks, feed and catching mature birds for process. Road improvements will help with the maintenance of our trucks, at the present time we spend \$857,000.00 on keeping these trucks on the road. We feel with upgrades this cost should decrease substantially.

Thank you in advance for your assistance with this grant.



Bill Ingram, President

May 31, 2018


TO: Cullman County Economic Development  
FROM: Philip & Kathy Swofford  
SUBJECT: Support for BUILD Grant Application

As residents of 82 County Road 730, we strongly support the Cullman County Economic Development's pursuit of the grant to pave selected rural roads in Cullman County through the Better Utilizing Investment of Leverage Development (BUILD) federal program.

We moved into the house at this location two years ago, but it has been in our family for over 50 years. In recent years, CR730 has deteriorated significantly due to the high volume of farm equipment from farms in our area. The road is used by many trucks with trailers hauling hay and farm animals, as well as trucks traveling to and from the chicken houses in the area. The road is highly traveled and is incredibly rough due to large potholes and many attempts to patch them. These patches are usually washed away by rain. These potholes pose a particular danger at night when they can't be seen. They also pose a danger since drivers often move to the middle or other side of the road to avoid the potholes, increasing the chance of collisions with oncoming vehicles.

We would greatly appreciate paving of CR730 through the BUILD grant program.

Respectfully,

  
Philip & Kathy Swofford

82 County Road 730

Cullman, AL 35055

256-508-7456

June 28, 2018

Carolyn Burnham  
596 County Rd 730  
Cullman, AL 35055

RE: BUILD Road Pavement Grant

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is concerning the BUILD program grant to repave Cullman County road 730 which is where I reside. The road (730) has become more difficult to travel safely as there is little left of the edges, and cars drive toward the middle most of the time. A number of cars fail to yield to their side of the road when meeting, causing us to find the ditch or be hit.

My family and I also travel the road with farm equipment regularly and struggle not to damage equipment due to the roughness. Meeting other vehicles with our equipment is difficult, again, due to the fact that many travel toward the middle and often don't keep to their side of the road.

This road is quite heavily traveled as it connects to US Hwy 278 east, and County road 703 which is a main thoroughfare to the city of Cullman on the southside. Without doubt, this road is dangerous to many, and consideration should be given to repave it.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carolyn Burnham". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Carolyn Burnham

To whom it may concern,

I am writing in regards to Co Rd. 1564. I do custom grain harvest and hauling. And I also farm on and around 1564. Due to the extensive damage to Co Rd. 1564 cause by the tornado and damage clean up I have to make continiaws repairs to my equipment or Drive in a defensive manner. to prevent damage to my equipment. If anything can be done it would be greatly apperialed.

Jodd Scott

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing concerning the condition of our County roads. I own several acres of farm land on county road 1518 in Cullman County. It is difficult to travel county road 1518 due to large holes and pavement coming apart. Vehicles and farm equipment will be damaged when traveling this road due to the condition of the road.

Any help with the repair and paving of our road would be greatly appreciated.

  
Kevin Twilley

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing concerning the condition of County road 1518 in Cullman County. I own over 100 acres of farm land on this county road where I raise cattle. After the April 27, 2011 tornado and subsequent clean up, the road has been severely damaged. It is often difficult for tractors and farm equipment to travel this road due to the damage.

Thank you for your consideration of our Farm-to-Market roads.

Drennen Twilley

