



April 17, 2019

The Honorable Susan Collins  
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee  
on Transportation, Housing and Urban  
Development, and Related Agencies  
U.S. Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Jack Reed  
Ranking Member, Appropriations Subcommittee  
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Dear Chairwoman Collins and Ranking Member Reed:

The GPS Innovation Alliance (GPSIA) is an industry association dedicated to promoting, protecting, and enhancing the Global Positioning System (GPS).

In pursuit of this goal, as you consider the President's Budget request within the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) for Fiscal Year 2020, we urge you to support the \$15 million included for monitoring performance of the GPS civil signal. This funding, which is requested for the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology, is critical to maintaining the long-term health and future of GPS.

Today, GPS is used by nearly every segment of the U.S. economy; including agriculture, aviation, construction, public safety, and transportation. As our nation's lead agency for civil GPS issues, the DOT has the responsibility to ensure that the civil GPS signals remain continuously available, accurate, reliable, and resilient. By favorably considering this funding request, the DOT can more effectively monitor the performance of the civil GPS signals that are crucial to our economy and keep American businesses competitive.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and for your continued support in keeping the United States the global leader on GPS.

Sincerely,

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