



WISCONSIN LEGISLATURE

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August 28, 2012

The Honorable Mark Gottlieb
Secretary
Wisconsin Department of Transportation
P.O Box 7910
Madison, WI 53707

Dear Secretary Gottlieb,

We are writing to express our opposition to the proposed construction of roundabouts at the entrance and exit of the Highway 164/I-43 intersection. It is our understanding that installing roundabouts is one of the Department of Transportation's options for the entrance and exit at that intersection.

Our opposition reflects the position of the boards of the Village of Big Bend and the Town of Vernon, as well as a number of constituents who have contacted our offices in opposition to the proposed roundabouts at this location. The Big Bend Village Board approved a resolution opposing the roundabout proposal in a vote on March 4th, 2010. The Town of Vernon Board approved a resolution, also opposing the roundabout proposal, in a vote on June 3, 2010. We believe deference needs to be given to the positions of the municipalities most impacted by the proposed roundabouts.

We would appreciate a response from the Department with details as to whether a roundabout is still an option for the Highway 164/I-43 intersection and if so, why that is the case.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact our offices if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Representative David Craig
83rd District
Wisconsin State Assembly

Senator Mary Lazich
28th District
Wisconsin State Senate