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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about crumbling infrastructure. The US canal system, rail system, highway system and electrical system were each at one point the envy of the world. Besides improving lives and business options each employed legions in its construction. Today a trip abroad finds high speed rail networks and faster freeways in China and parts of Europe extending regional connections there while here commute times are growing and regions are starting to splinter. The decay also is causing disasters such as the rolling brownouts of the 00s, this years electrically sparked Camp fire, the near collapse of the Oroville dam and collapse of the Skagit river bridge, failure of the levees in New Orleans and this year's flooding problems in the midwest. These issues may be exacerbated by a mix of climate change and private control of public goods but the fundamental problem is decaying infrastructure.

Thank you for pushing an infrastructure bill.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our technical dominance.

Sincerely, Eric Babson