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Mr. Dirk Jablonski  
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Re: Southeast Connector signing changes.

Dear Mr. Jablonski:

We were asked by City Councilman Sam Kooiker to consider changes to our signing along US16B/SD79, Southeast Connector, to allow for display of destination **Rapid City**. Councilman Kooiker offered that there may be Interstate travelers who exit I-90 at Exit 61 and completely miss the opportunity to access our city at the SD44 interchange.

As we consider options open to us, we much prefer to select one that does not obligate us to completely replace existing sign post and footing assemblies. We have to maintain adequate legend size and the existing sign posts and footings are not suitable for much increase in overall sign panel size.

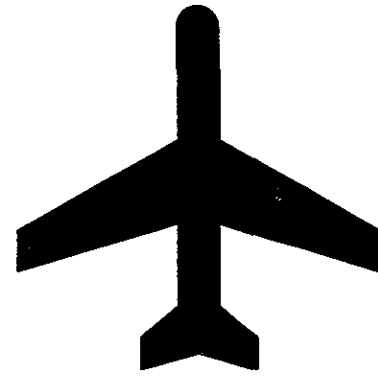
The attached layout details our preferred signing changes. Please note the legend for Regional Airport has been replaced with the well recognized Airport symbol sign. This allows sufficient space to display legend **Rapid City**.

Please review suggested signing changes and advise of your concurrence. As soon as we receive a reply from you, we will proceed with subject changes.

Sincerely,

Daniel W. Staton  
Region Traffic Engineer

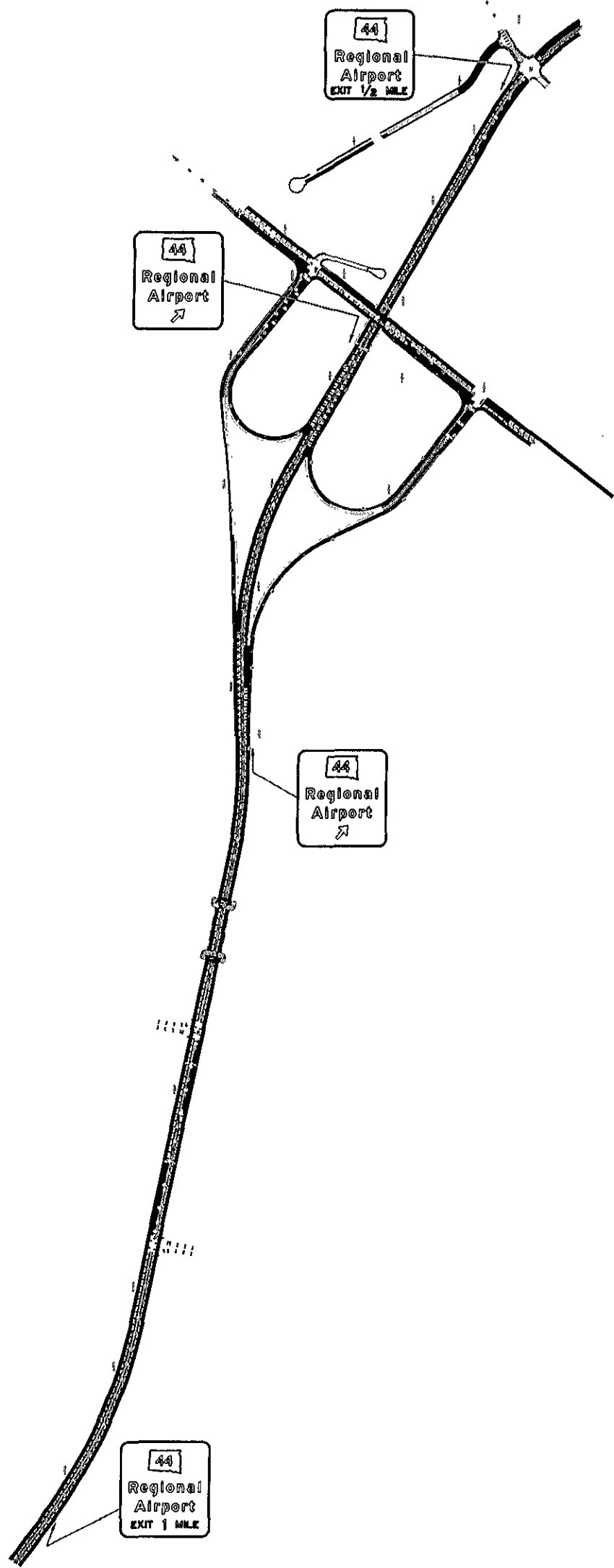
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**EXIT 1/2 MILE**

# Existing



# Proposed

