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May 3, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Seismic Resiliency Reservoir and Transmission Line Improvement Project in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Diablo Water District, located at 87 Carol Lane, Oakley, California 94561.

The funding would be used for structural steel and foundation reinforcements to a 2.5 million gallon steel reservoir and installing a parallel water transmission mainline to significantly mitigate risks associate with major seismic events, safeguarding water supply and contributing to the region's overall disaster preparedness strategy. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would help fortify the local water supply against seismic concerns and would cost less to do preventative upgrades than to address damage that may occur from an earthquake.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 203 of the Stafford Act (42 U.S.C. 5133), as amended by Section 1234, National Public Infrastructure Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation, of the Disaster Recovery Reform Act (DRRA) of 2018.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Mark DeSaulnier
Member of Congress