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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairwoman House Appropriations Committee H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the **City of Santa Rosa Environmental Infrastructure** project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the **US Army Corps of Engineers**, located at 450 Golden Gate Ave 4th floor, San Francisco, CA 94102.

The funding would be used for rehabilitation of the Llano Trunk sewer line (Llano Trunk) which is critical to strengthening the City's water resiliency by preserving the region's recycled water supply, protecting our environment, and ensuring underserved areas are shielded from the impacts of climate change. The system includes roughly 1,200 miles of water and sewer pipelines.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 219 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1992, as amended.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Llano Trunk Line has significant potential to fail, which could cause catastrophic consequences to human and environmental health and safety. Such failure would interrupt wastewater flows to the Laguna Treatment Plant, causing a significant spill and backup of wastewater in the environment and the community, and inhibit Santa Rosa from delivering recycled water and helping produce clean energy for the region. With the prediction of less frequent but more intense storms, there is also significant concern that the added flows during these events will stress the region's already crumbling infrastructure and lead to a costly and environmentally damaging failure.

I certify that neither I, nor my immediate family, has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

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Jared Huffman Member of Congress

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