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May 3, 2024

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 **Marin County 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 to install a new pipeline to connect Marin Water's Soulajule Reservoir to Nicasio Reservoir. This funding request would allow Marin Water to work with the Army Corps of Engineers to initiate Phase I of the project to bring Soulajule Reservoir "online," starting with a dedicated conveyance pipeline that will reduce water loss and impact to neighboring landowners, and improve operational flexibility. Connecting Soulajule Reservoir to the rest of Marin Water's drinking water system and improving its pumping operations will make the region's water supply more resilient to climate and drought stressors while measurably reducing water loss from conveyance and improving the cost, flexibility, and GHG and air pollution emissions of accessing water stored at Soulajule.

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 this will bring a federal partner into Marin Water's work to improve water supply reliability and climate resilience -- with the potential to benefit the entire North Bay once the rest of the water supply roadmap is completed.

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

Sincerely,

Jared Huffman

Member of Congress