

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-0502

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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
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 **Russian River Treatment Plant West Weather Equalization Expansion** project in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is **Sonoma County Water Agency**, located at 404 Aviation Boulevard, Santa Rosa, CA 95403.

The funding would be used to design and construct additional sewage storage to hold excess raw wastewater for later treatment once peak inflows to the treatment facility have reduced from storm events. This will reduce sewage overflows during increasingly frequent storm events.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Title VI of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C 1381 et seq.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would provide significant benefits to the community of West Sonoma County residents who have for decades experienced the negative environmental and social impacts of wastewater spills within the collection system and the discharge of partially treated or untreated wastewater into the Russian River.

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

Sincerely,



JARED HUFFMAN
Member of Congress