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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Santa Margarita Water District's Oso Barrier Water Treatment Plant in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Santa Margarita Water District, located at 26111 Antonio Parkway, Rancho Santa Margarita, CA 92688.

The funding would go towards the Oso Barrier Water Treatment Plant Project that will provide an innovative water supply by capturing urban runoff from the Cities of Rancho Santa Margarita and Mission Viejo as well as upstream portions of unincorporated south Orange County. The project will provide advanced treatment to provide ultra-high quality recycled water. Part of the District's goal is to provide local supplies for reuse as irrigation water or ultimately supply water for potable reuse. 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.

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

Sincerely,

Young Kim
Member of Congress