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## Congress of the United States House of Representatives

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May 10, 2024

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$4,800,000 for the East Canal Drinking Water Infrastructure Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Moses Lake, located at 401 S Balsam St., Moses Lake, WA 98837.

The funding would be used for planning, engineering, and design of the East Canal Drinking Water Infrastructure Project. This project will require the construction of a water treatment facility and new distribution infrastructure to meet existing needs and help meet the future needs of residents and businesses that call Moses Lake home. Clean energy employers continue to locate in and expand in Moses Lake and the surrounding area thanks to low property costs, an abundance of power, affordable housing, and the presence of a strong workforce. However, with declining deep-water aquifers and wells that have been shut off due to historical PFAS and TCE contamination, the City is already unable to meet the current drinking water needs of its residents.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it helps meet and maintain Safe Drinking Water Act standards; the City of Moses Lake faces declining aquifers and wells that have been shut down due to contamination, reducing the available and dependable supply of clean water to meet the existing needs of residents and businesses.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300j-12. I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dan Newhouse".

Dan Newhouse  
Member of Congress