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May 10, 2024

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$1,300,000 for Phase 1 of Oroville's New Water System in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Oroville, located at 1308 Ironwood St., Oroville, WA 98844.

The funding would be used to replace roughly 3,500 linear feet of the "North End" water main in the system that stretches from the city limits north to the Canadian border within Okanogan County. The system consists of deteriorating and undersized water transmission main— 4-inch and 6-inch PVC pipes—that is at the end of its useful life and will be replaced with 8-inch and 12-inch mains. The North End of the water system currently experiences low water service pressure, frequent leaks, and low fire flows from fire hydrants.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because replacing the existing undersized system will increase the City's ability to protect life and property from catastrophic seasonal wildfires while ensuring safe and reliable water supplies for homes and businesses in the City of Oroville and Okanogan County.

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.

Dan Newhouse Member of Congress