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May 10, 2024

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$3,405,000 for Phase 2 of US 97 Reconstruction in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Tonasket, located at 209 W Whitcomb Ave., Tonasket, WA 98855.

The funding would be used to support the reconstructing of US 97 through the City of Tonasket. Specifically, funding would be used to replace existing stormwater structures and conveyance systems to pass design storm events and limit flooding to the adjacent businesses and inflow to the wastewater treatment plant, replace existing 80-year-old cast iron with lead joint watermains, and installation of stormwater treatment to protect the quality of water of the Okanogan River. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it helps meet and maintain clean water standards and improves critical infrastructure in North Central Washington.

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,

Dan Newhouse Member of Congress