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May 10, 2024

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$2,200,000 for Winthrop Rehabilitation and Replacement of Water Source and Distribution Systems in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Town of Winthrop, located at 206 Riverside Ave., Winthrop, WA 98862.

The funding would be used to make critical upgrades to the Town's water source and distribution system's reliability for improved wildfire preparation and water conservation. Currently, the Town relies on one well as the primary water source to fight wildfires and the deteriorated water transmission main is at the end of its useful life and results in an estimated 40 percent water loss. The scope of this project includes increasing water source reliability by rehabilitating an existing, second well, and adding backup generators to both, as well as replacing approximately 4,500 linear feet of water main.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because providing a safe and reliable water source and enhancing the ability to fight wildfires is critical to the rural Town's ability to protect life and property.

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