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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

March 20, 2026

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$2,000,000 for the Sunnyside Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Sunnyside located at 818 E. Edison Ave. in Sunnyside, Washington, 98944.

The funding would be used to upgrade the City of Sunnyside's wastewater treatment plant that currently serves approximately 4,400 households and 16,300 residents, including agricultural and food-processing businesses in the Lower Yakima Valley. Aging infrastructure, full solids drying beds, and an outdated ultraviolet (UV) disinfection system limit treatment capacity and reliability. The project will upgrade the UV system, expand drying beds, and modernize key treatment infrastructure. These improvements will protect public health, ensure regulatory compliance, support the agricultural economy, safeguard water quality in the Yakima River, and strengthen the sustainability and resilience of critical community infrastructure.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because these improvements will protect public health, ensure regulatory compliance, support the agricultural economy, safeguard water quality in the Yakima River, and strengthen the sustainability and resilience of critical community infrastructure.

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. (Clean Water Projects).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

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

Dan Newhouse

Member of Congress