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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Lake Hughes Master Plan project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, located at 900 S. Fremont Ave., Alhambra, CA 91803. The requested amount of \$900,000 would be used for identifying permanent measures to mitigate in the long-term the flooding caused by the limited flow-passing capacity of two road crossings, and nature-based solution measures for the watercourse at and between the crossings. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it focuses on mitigating flood and wildfire risks by updating and improving critical infrastructure in a community in Los Angeles County characterized by exceptionally high risks of natural hazards, as evidenced by its ranking in the 99th percentile for expected building loss rate, 88th for projected flood risk, 93rd for wildfire risk, and 75th for transportation barriers.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 203 of the Stafford Act (42 U.S.C. 5133), as amended by Section 1234, National Public Infrastructure Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation, of the Disaster Recovery Reform Act (DRRA) of 2018.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Mike Garcia
Member of Congress