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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the San Benito Storage Tank at San Benito Water Treatment Plant No. 2 Phase 2 project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the city of San Benito, located at 401 N. Sam Houston Boulevard, San Benito, Texas 78586.

The funding would be used to replace an existing elevated storage tank, which is a critical element of San Benito's potable water utility system. The current elevated storage tank is structurally unsafe, presents a public health hazard, and is economically unfeasible to repair because it has exceeded its expected service life. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will help the city comply with the Texas Council on Environmental Quality's minimum potable water storage capacity requirements.

This project has a Federal nexus as it is consistent with 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,



Vicente Gonzalez
Member of Congress