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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Appropriations Committee
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Paducah Wastewater Treatment Plant Stormwater Relief Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Paducah, located at 300 South 5th Street, Paducah, Kentucky, 42003.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would enhance capture and control of stormwater, reducing the burden on Pump Station 1, protecting the wider community inside the floodwall and supporting thousands of residents who rely on the system functioning during major storms. The proposed project will provide additional conveyance in the form of a new large-diameter pipe parallel to the existing underground system. Furthermore, reconstruction of the inlet structure at the southwestern end of The Branch and the existing side-saddle detention basins upstream will provide improved inlet capacity and safety, staged peak flow control for multiple storm events, and implementation of water quality Best Management Practices (BMPs).

This project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized by Title VI of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C 1381 et seq.

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

Sincerely,



James Comer
Member of Congress