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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

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

The Honorable Rosa L. 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 Western Washington, Section 219 project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The funding would be used for water infrastructure system improvements in Arlington and Snohomish, WA. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the proposed improvements, new wellfield, water treatment plant expansion and improvements, and new potable water reservoir will ensure Arlington has a secure water system that can meet the future challenges and still provide clean drinking water to the community. Additionally, the replacement of aging infrastructure including water mains, sewer lines, and storm drainage pipes across multiple streets in one of the historic areas of the City of Snohomish will separate stormwater flows and wastewater flows to increase the treatment plant's effectiveness and benefit the Puget Sound and Snohomish River.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized Section 219(f)(404) of the Water Resources Development Act of 1992 (P.L. 102-580), as amended by WRDA 2022 (Title LXXXI of Division H of P.L. 117-263). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Suzan K. DelBene
Member of Congress