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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for **City of South El Monte Flood Control and Outdoor Recreational Enhancements** in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is **the City of South El Monte, CA**, located at **1415 Santa Anita Avenue, South El Monte, CA 91733**. The funding would be used to **provide flood control enhancements and concurring outdoor recreational elements to improve flood resiliency and create an open space for residents of South El Monte, adjacent communities, and South El Monte High School. This project will construct storage and drainage improvements for the required volume of potential flood waters from the Whittier Flood Control Basin, increasing community resiliency, sustaining runoff capacity for the Whittier Narrows Basin, and managing stormwater and downstream flows for regional flood control. Additionally, this project will develop the land to include outdoor recreational improvements for residents alongside the flood control elements.** The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because **this project will both ensure the safety and reduced flood risk for the community located at the project parcel and allow for increased green space and outdoor recreation.**

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in **42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2)**.

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

Sincerely,

Gilbert R. Cisneros, Jr.
Member of Congress