May 4, 2021

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting $8,000,000 in funding for Channel Islands Harbor in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, located at 915 Wilshire Blvd, Suite 930 Los Angeles, CA 900017-3401.

The funding would be used for dredging of Channel Islands Harbor. Maintenance dredging annual funding of $8 Million is identified as the amount required to meet the minimum needs of the County, Naval Base Ventura County, the Port of Hueneme and the City of Port Hueneme to protect downcoast Federal and municipal infrastructure and operations through the biennial dredging of the Channel Islands Harbor sand trap. Project funding and execution is necessary to prevent downcoast flooding and erosion, including protection of critical infrastructure at Naval Air Station Point Mugu. The biennial dredging also protects the entrance to Channel Islands Harbor, which is a Harbor of Refuge as well as the location of a Coast Guard Search and Rescue station. The total request is within the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ capability to execute and is the amount necessary on an annual basis to fully fund the authorized biennial dredging of 2.5 Million cubic yards of material.

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

Sincerely,

JULIA BROWNLEY
Member of Congress