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The Honorable Kay Granger Chair House Appropriations Committee H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for City of Thousand Oaks Stormwater Capture and Diversion Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Thousand Oaks, located at: 2100 E. Thousand Oaks Bl., Thousand Oaks, CA 91362.

The funding would be used for development a stormwater capture and diversion project within the Ventura County area in the Upper Malibu Creek Watershed. Dry and wet weather runoff would be captured and diverted via a new diversion structure to the regional Las Virgenes Wastewater Treatment Plant (Tapia Treatment Plant). This diversion structure will connect the storm drain to the sewer pipes. Las Virgenes Municipal Water District (LVMWD) and Triunfo Water and Sanitation District (TWSD) will deliver and treat the stormwater through their PURE Water project where the stormwater will be recycled and reused as new source of potable water for their customers. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will help to ensure a more sustainable source of drinking water for local residents, businesses, and other water users. It will also reduce pollutants in the storm drain system and improve water quality by preventing the contamination of receiving waters (e.g. creeks, rivers, lakes) which could eventually pollute the ocean. More specifically the receiving waters of the Upper Malibu Creek Watershed which regionally collects and discharges into the Pacific Ocean through Malibu would greatly benefit.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Title VI of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C 1381 et seq.

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

Sincerely,

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