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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I respectfully request funding for the Nacogdoches Storm Drainage Improvement Project for Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive this funding is the City of Nacogdoches, TX, located at 202 East Pilar Street, Nacogdoches, TX 75961.

This \$3,564,000 request will enable rehabilitation of nearly one mile of storm drainage improvements throughout the City of Nacogdoches. The streets have been identified through a thorough analysis of flood conditions through assessments by the City's public works department, which include flooding of properties, erosion, street flooding, and flooding of structures. Projects are dispersed geographically around the City in areas of greatest need and will provide resiliency for these areas for future storm events. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will allow for improved capacity for the City's aging stormwater collection infrastructure. Expanded and improved infrastructure will prevent flooding of property and roads, increase safety, and directly mitigate point sources of pollution (storm drain pipes and man-made ditches) that are in need of repair. Remediating the deficiencies in these storm water conveyance systems will help to mitigate the potential environmental impacts that would violate the Clean Water Act.

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 neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Pete Sessions

Member of Congress