



March 20, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
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

**Re: McFarland Severe Flooding Prevention Project – Phase 1**

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Phase 1 of the McFarland Severe Flooding Prevention Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of McFarland, located at 401 W Kern, McFarland, CA 93250.

The funding will be used to construct the first of two priority 100-year stormwater conveyance projects: the Davis–Kala Loop–Elmo Corridor. This project directly addresses the City’s most significant flooding challenges by targeting local and regional flood sources and resolving major hydraulic choke points in the storm drain network. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it reduces flooding, restores critical emergency lane access, and improves mobility for local schools, businesses, and residents in an underserved city.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 203 of the Stafford Act (42 U.S.C. 5133), as amended by Section 1234, National Public Infrastructure Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation, of the Disaster Recovery Reform Act (DRRA) of 2018.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David G. Valadao".

David G. Valadao  
Member of Congress