



March 27, 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: Community Project Funding Request for the Delano Water Plant No. 2 Blending Tank Project

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Delano Water Plant No. 2 Blending Tank Project in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Delano, located at 1015 Eleventh Avenue, Delano, CA 93215.

The Delano Water Plant No. 2 Blending Tank Project will construct Water Blending Plant No. 2, including a 2.0 million gallon concrete tank and associated water lines. This additional blending tank will supplement the water supply for the city and support Plant No. 6 Blending Tank and Booster Pump station. The new Plant No. 2 will take water from existing wells and blend them, to produce an additional 1.5 million gallons per day of usable potable water for the residents of Delano. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will provide much needed resiliency to Delano's water system, supporting the municipal system's health and improving its fire suppression ability.

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,

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

David G. Valadao
Member of Congress