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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: Okieville Highland Acres Mutual Water Company for Water Supply Project

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Okieville Highland Acres Mutual Water Company for Water Supply Project in Fiscal Year 2027.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Tulare Irrigation District, located at 6828 Avenue 240, Tulare, CA 93274.

The funding would be used for the Okieville Highland Acres Mutual Water Company for Water Supply Project. The project will provide water supply redundancy to the Disadvantaged Community (DAC) of Okieville through the construction of a new well to make Okieville's drinking water system more reliable. The funds will also include the purchase and installation of an additional water storage tank, and backup generator for the wells. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will help the add resiliency to the systems to maintain drinking water availability of the unincorporated community's residents, and increase the capacity of the Tulare Irrigation District.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300j-12.

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'.

Congressman David G. Valadao
Member of Congress