



March 15, 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 Vineland Elementary School Water Main Project

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Vineland Elementary School Water Main Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Vineland School District, located at 14713 Weedpatch Hwy. Bakersfield, CA 93307.

The funding would be used for the replacement of a 1930's main water line that is both showing its age and is too narrow to provide the necessary flow to meet the needs of the school. The new line will increase the amount of water available to the school for its daily operations and fire suppression system. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will ensure the safety, health, and allow for the expansion, of a rural elementary school serving one of the states most disadvantaged communities.

This project has a Federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(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