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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Water Transmission System PCCP Pipeline Replacement project, located in West Wendover, Nevada, in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of West Wendover, located at 1111 N. Gene L. Jones Way, West Wendover, Nevada, 89883.

The funding would be used to replace 1 mile of 24-inch pre-stressed concrete cylinder pipe (PCCP) installed in the late 1970's as part of the water transmission system that delivers drinking water from the Goshute Valley to the cities of West Wendover, Nevada and Wendover, Utah. The pipe has reached its useful service life. PCCP installations in the U.S. have proven to be problematic due to a shorter than expected service life and the pipe is extremely difficult to repair. Steel wire pre-stressing failures propagate rapidly, leading to subsequent failure of the thin-shell steel cylinder, resulting in leaks and eventual sectional failure. Leaks and the high probability of sectional failure create public health concerns and long-term disruption of the community water supply. This portion of the transmission pipeline also crosses the UPRR mainline elevating risk.

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,

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