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The Honorable Tom Cole Chair House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the East Montana Water Tower project in fiscal year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is El Paso County, located at 500 E. San Antonio, El Paso, TX 79901. The funding would be used for the design and construction of the East Montana Water Tower, a 750,000-gallon elevated storage facility to supplement an existing and aging 75,000-gallon water tower. With a planned lifespan of roughly 50 years, this water tower will serve more than 1,000 homes and businesses in this unincorporated part of the County.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it ensures reliable access to clean and safe water, supports emergency preparedness, and promotes economic growth by attracting businesses and residents in this unincorporated part of El Paso County.

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,

Veronica Escobar Member of Congress