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March 31, 2023

Honorable Kay Granger
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Rural Utility Service Vehicles (PW) in fiscal year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the County of El Paso, located at located at 500 E. San Antonio Ave, El Paso, Texas 79901. The funding would be used for the acquisition of new equipment, including four street box sweepers, five tandem dump trucks, five truck tractors, and four grappler bulk waste loader trucks will help facilitate the swift removal of illegally dumped waste and the cleaning of roadways. The equipment will be used as part of the County's solid waste and pollution prevention program to mitigate hazards and threats to the County's waterways and water supply while also preventing the collection of solid waste in areas that lead to infestations of vermin and insects that can transmit serious disease.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will ensure that the unincorporated communities remain accessible to all residents of the community, including the elderly and handicapped, attractive and safe, as well as to limit threats to health, safety, and welfare in these rural and disproportionately impacted census tracts in the County.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(5).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Veronica Escobar".

Member of Congress