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Chairman Tom Cole
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Ranking Member Rosa DeLauro
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Protecting Farm and Ranch Water Supplies in the Nueces Watershed project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Texas A&M University located at 6300 Ocean Dr, Corpus Christi, TX 78412. The funding would be used for a new Nueces Watershed project in TX 27 to protect the water supplies that farms and ranches rely on by improving how we manage groundwater pumping and aquifer recharge. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it helps keep working lands productive by reducing uncertainty about groundwater availability, protecting private irrigation and livestock wells, and improving drought resilience for producers. It will also support more effective, locally targeted NRCS technical assistance and conservation investments across the Nueces Watershed.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized under the Soil Conservation and Allotment Domestic Act of 1935, 16 U.S. Code sections 590a-590d and 590f-g.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Michael Cloud
Member of Congress