



February 27, 2026

The Honorable Patty Murray
154 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Subject: Request for Your Support for Washougal Infrastructure Projects

Dear Senator Murray,

I am writing to respectfully request your support of the key infrastructure projects submitted by the City of Washougal for consideration in the FY27 Congressionally Directed Spending cycle. As you know, Washougal is a small but growing community that is working tirelessly to cultivate its exciting growth while preserving the natural beauty and character that make it so special. We have greatly appreciated the advocacy from you and your colleagues on prior infrastructure projects that will contribute to the economic development, safety, and livability of the community for generations to come.

The City of Washougal has identified two projects that will build upon the great work already underway. One project would enhance the city's Emergency Operations Center with resources from Homeland Security-FEMA Emergency Operations Center funding. Design is currently underway for a new fire station in downtown Washougal; with federal support this project would allow for a fully equipped Emergency Operations Center to be integrated into the plans. With updated technology, this facility would accommodate the highest levels of communication, training, and timely decision making, ensuring residents in east Clark County and neighboring Skamania County are well protected from wildfires and other future threats.

The second project builds off previous investments in Washougal's water system. Thanks to a FY26 federal appropriation, the city is beginning to plan for enhancements to its water treatment process that will reduce or eliminate the harmful synthetic chemicals known as PFAS from the city's drinking water. The City of Washougal now seeks additional support for the future construction of a PFAS treatment solution.

These projects will directly benefit the City of Washougal, the Port of Camas Washougal and surrounding areas of Clark and Skamania Counties, and both have my strong support and backing. Thank you for your continued support of the City of Washougal and Southwest Washington.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Senescu

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March 2, 2026

The Honorable Marie Gluesenkamp Perez
1431 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Subject: Request for Your Support in Congress for Washougal Infrastructure Projects

Dear Representative Gluesenkamp Perez,

I am writing to respectfully request your support for two key City of Washougal infrastructure projects submitted for consideration in the FY27 Congressionally Directed Spending cycle. Washougal is a small but growing community that continues to balance thoughtful growth with the preservation of the natural beauty and character that make it unique. We are deeply grateful for your past advocacy on projects that have strengthened local infrastructure, enhanced safety, and improved quality of life across our region.

The first project seeks Homeland Security–FEMA Emergency Operations Center funding to expand Washougal’s new downtown fire station plans to include a fully equipped Emergency Operations Center. With design work already underway, federal funding would allow this facility to integrate state-of-the-art communications technology and modern training capacity—ensuring coordinated emergency response across east Clark County and neighboring Skamania County to meet future wildfire and disaster challenges.

The second project builds on federal investment from FY26, which is supporting planning for improvements to Washougal’s water treatment process to reduce or remove PFAS contaminants. The City now seeks additional support for constructing a permanent PFAS treatment system, reinforcing our shared commitment to safe, clean drinking water for residents and businesses.

Both projects are essential to the safety, resilience, and health of Washougal and the greater Southwest Washington region – including the Port of Camas-Washougal and surrounding areas of Clark and Skamania Counties – and I offer my strongest support for each.

Thank you for your consideration, and your continued support of the City of Washougal and our communities in Southwest Washington.

Sincerely,

Trang K. Lam
Executive Director



Washington State Legislature

March 5, 2026

The Honorable Marie Gluesenkamp Perez
1431 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

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Dear Representative, Gluesenkamp Perez,

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Thank you for your consideration.

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Paul Harris, Senator

Handwritten signature of Kevin Waters in cursive.

Kevin Waters, Representative

Handwritten signature of David Stuebe in cursive.

David Stuebe, Representative

Cc: City of Washougal

RESOLUTION NO. 1273

**A RESOLUTION OF THE WASHOUGAL CITY COUNCIL IN SUPPORT OF
FEDERAL APPROPRIATION REQUESTS**

WHEREAS, Washougal has important infrastructure projects to advance the community's clean water, and public safety goals, and

WHEREAS, these priorities include a proposed PFAS Treatment Facility and an Emergency Operations Center, and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress is considering the provision of Community Project Funding, also known as Congressionally Directed Spending, in the FY27 Appropriations process, and

WHEREAS, we wish to convey to Senator Patty Murray, Senator Maria Cantwell and Congresswoman Marie Gluesenkamp Perez our strong support for these projects in Washougal and the need for funding.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council confirms these projects to be priorities for Washougal in order to promote community health and safety for years to come.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED that we support an effort to seek resources in federal Congressionally Directed Spending and Community Project Funding and authorize our City Manager to submit funding requests on behalf of the City of Washougal.

PASSED by the Council of the City of Washougal at regular meeting on the **23rd** day of **February 2026**.

City of Washougal, Washington

David Fritz

Mayor Pro Tem Fritz

ATTEST:

Daniel Loyer

Finance Director / City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Robert Zeinerman

City Attorney