

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-0913

May 22, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the *City of Madeira Beach Utilities Undergrounding* in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding is the City of Madeira Beach, located at 300 Municipal Drive, Madeira Beach, Florida 33708.

Funding will support the undergrounding of utility lines along neighborhood streets east of Gulf Boulevard, including 147th to 133rd Avenues. The city, in partnership with Duke Energy, Spectrum, and Frontier, will complete this project as part of a larger neighborhood road improvement effort.

The city faces frequent flooding and storm-related infrastructure damage. In 2024, hurricanes caused power and communication outages lasting up to five weeks. This project will reduce service disruptions, protect critical infrastructure, and enhance public safety and quality of life. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it strengthens disaster resilience in a vulnerable coastal area.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 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, appearing to read "Luna.", with a large, stylized flourish at the beginning.

Anna Paulina Luna
Member of Congress

