

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-1402

March 19, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
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 Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the LaPorte County Regional Sewer and Water District for its Hudson Saugany Clean Water Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the LaPorte County Regional Sewer and Water District, located at 325 S. Lafayette Blvd., South Bend, IN 46601.

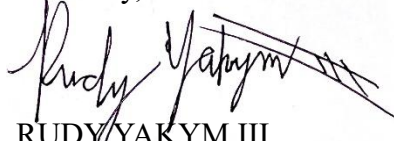
The funding would be used for constructing Phase 2 of the project, which consists of a full wastewater treatment plant buildout for the area and construction of the Hudson Lake wastewater collection system.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the area's residential properties currently rely on septic systems, the majority of which are constructed in unsuitable soils within the influence zone of the drinking water aquifer and surface water resource. Modernizing this infrastructure is essential to protect public health, ensure environmental compliance, and maintain safe and dependable wastewater service for residents and businesses.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Title VI of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C 1381 et seq. (Clean Water Projects).

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

Sincerely,



RUDY YAKYM III
Member of Congress