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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 House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Texas State Spur 228 Widening Project; Amarillo, Texas, 13th Congressional District project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Prairie View Municipal Management District No. 1, located at 2728 N. Harwood, Suite 500 Dallas, Texas 75201. The funding would be used to widen Texas State Spur 228 to accommodate increased traffic flow related to the operation of a new beef processing facility. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because Texas' Thirteenth Congressional District is the number one fed cattle district in the Nation, generating over \$16.5 billion in economic value.

Unfortunately, the region does not have the necessary processing capacity to accommodate the total number of cattle in the area. This new beef processing facility will be used to help address this processing capacity deficit, which will require increased transportation volume. Each day, traffic to the facility is expected to see nearly 150 semi-trucks and over 1,500 employee vehicles, highlighting the need for expansion and upgrades for transportation access around the plant.

This project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized by 23 U.S.C. 133(b)(1).

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

Sincerely,



Ronny L. Jackson
Member of Congress