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May 23, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole, Chairman  
The Honorable Rosa DeLauro, Ranking  
Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Chuck Fleischmann  
The Honorable Marcy Kaptur  
Subcommittee on Energy and Water  
Development and Related Agencies

RE: North Richmond Wastewater Protection EI Project

Dear Chairmen Cole and Fleischmann and Ranking Members DeLauro and Kaptur:

I respectfully request \$1,350,000 for the North Richmond Wastewater Protection EI Project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, located at 441 G Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20314. While the recipient is headquartered in the District of Columbia's at-large Congressional District, the proposed project is in my district.

This community project funding would be used to ensure reliable wastewater service for more than 180,000 individuals by improving an existing low levee to provide coastal flooding resiliency and protect critical water and wastewater infrastructure for the West County Wastewater District. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will provide flooding protection to wastewater infrastructure and protect access to a vital transportation corridor in western Contra Costa County, which is projected to face regular flooding and inundation in the coming years. The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 8375 of the *Water Resources Development Act of 2022* (Public Law 117-263) item 293 (under the Environmental Infrastructure program).

Pursuant to Clause 17 of Rule XXIII of the U.S. House of Representatives, I certify that I have no financial interest in this project and neither does anyone in my immediate family. Thank you for your leadership and consideration of my request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Garamendi".

JOHN GARAMENDI  
Member of Congress

