

May 2, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Neighborhood Drinking Water Protection Program in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Bend, located at 710 NW Wall St, Bend, OR 97701. The funding would be used to replace fragile galvanized pipes in Bend to protect drinking water quality and improve water system redundancy. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses a serious threat to the city's public health – lack of clean drinking water.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized under Section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. 300j-12.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family have any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Janelle Bynum  
Member of Congress