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

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the San Antonio River Authority for Stormwater Acequias Assessment project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the San Antonio River Authority, located at 100 E. Guenther San Antonio, Texas 78204.

The funding would be used to conduct an assessment of 13 miles of acequias within the San Antonio Missions National Historical Park to better understand water flow, channel slope, and sediment accumulation. The planning study and the resulting sediment removal, bank stabilization, and stormwater/erosion controls will support efforts to maintain, preserve and rehabilitate the acequias.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will identify areas with excessive sedimentation or restricted flow, quantify water movement and sediment loads, and provide scientific data to guide maintenance, restoration, and long-term protection of the historic acequia system.

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.

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

Sincerely,



Joaquin Castro
Member of Congress