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

March 20, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Hayward Marsh Water Quality Improvement Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the East Bay Regional Park District, located at 2950 Peralta Oaks Court, Oakland, CA 94605. The funding would be used for the restoration of the 1985-era managed marshlands in Hayward into a resilient, fully tidal system that improves water quality entering the San Francisco Bay.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the project benefits approximately 160,000 residents of Hayward and contributes to improved environmental quality for millions of Bay Area residents. By improving water quality, habitat conditions, and shoreline resilience, the project supports regional recreation, fisheries, wildlife conservation, and public access along San Francisco Bay.

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,



Member of Congress