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March 24, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Chair  
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 Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting Community Project Funding from the Pre-Disaster Mitigation account in fiscal year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Township of Stafford, located at 260 East Bay Avenue, Manahawkin, NJ, 08050.

This funding would be used to build 935 feet of linear bulkhead along Stafford Township's Mill Creek Park, in line with the County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will protect over 10,000 residents as well as critical water infrastructure managed by the Ocean County Municipal Utility Authority.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 203 of the Stafford Act (42 U.S.C. 5133), as amended by Section 1234, National Public Infrastructure Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation, of the Disaster Recovery Reform Act (DRRA) of 2018.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Van Drew".

Jeff Van Drew

Member of Congress