



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

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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
House Appropriations Committee
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Hershey Road Water Booster Station Infrastructure Improvements in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Summit Township Water Authority located at 1230 Townhall Rd. West, Suite 200, Erie, PA 16509. The funding would be used for the rehabilitation of a vital component for the distribution system by replacing aged infrastructure and resolving compliance requirements from Erie Water Works. Using new pumps with energy efficient electric motors will offer the system additional capacity and allow for operation and maintenance optimally. Specifically, the project will replace the existing water booster station pumps with 4 new 40 HP, interior 4" vertical pumps, new pump control panels and extensive electrical improvements. Additionally, it will incorporate the installation of four 4" check (control) valves; interior drain system; meter upgrades comprising of 2, 8" magnetic flow meters; and a primary/bypass valve BFP assemblies. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it has significant economic impact for Summit, Millcreek, and McKean Townships, and Erie County as a whole. Summit Water Authority is currently utilizing a machinist to create replacement parts as the needed parts are no longer able to be secured off the shelf, proving costly for taxpayers.

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

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

Sincerely,

Mike Kelly
Member of Congress