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

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the *Bostick Road Regional Lift Station - Phase 9 Utility Improvements Project* in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the *Hardee County Board of County Commissioners*, located at *412 W Orange Street, Wauchula, FL 33873*. The funding would be used for engineering, design, and permitting of wastewater infrastructure improvements, including a regional lift station, gravity sewer collection system, and sanitary force mains to expand centralized sewer service in the Wauchula Hills service area.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will support septic-to-sewer conversion, improve public health, and reduce nutrient loading to groundwater and nearby surface waters within the Peace River Basin.

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

Best regards,



Scott Franklin
Member of Congress