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Washington, DC 20515-0915

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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Polk County's Upper Peace River Water Quality Treatment Proposal Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Polk County, located at 330 W. Church St., Bartow, Florida 33830.

The funding would be used to improve water quality by using new technologies and through restoration of degraded wetlands by filtering phosphorus runoff from Lake Hancock, Phyllis Branch, and Bear Branch. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the protection of surface water flows, flood protection, and management of water quality involved in this project provide essential pieces to addressing the impaired waters of central Florida.

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 et seq.

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

Sincerely,



C. Scott Franklin
Member of Congress