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May 10, 2024

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

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Bunker Hill Groundwater Basin Conjunctive Use Program Well Construction Project in the fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District, located at 380 East Vanderbilt Way, San Bernardino, CA.

The funding would be used to construct and connect two extraction wells to provide flexibility to pump and deliver previously stored groundwater for beneficial use in dry years. By integrating surface water and groundwater resources, the program enhances water supply reliability, reduces groundwater overdraft, and improves groundwater quality.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will benefit local communities and contribute to broader environmental sustainability efforts, aligning with taxpayer interests in preserving natural resources for future generations.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pete Aguilar". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Pete Aguilar
Member of Congress