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March 31, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Chairwoman  
Committee on Appropriations  
H-305, the Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth HOB  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for "Fairfax County Trenchless Sewer Rehabilitation" in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Fairfax County Government located at 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA 22035. The funding would be used for the project below.

Project: Fairfax County Trenchless Sewer Rehabilitation

Recipient: Fairfax County Government, 12000 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, VA 22035

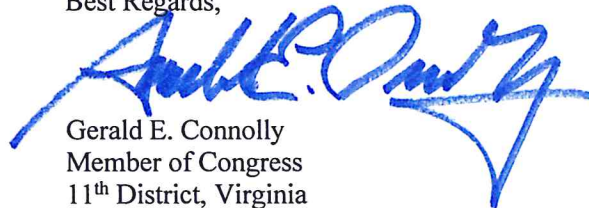
Amount: \$3,000,000

Justification: This project will support Fairfax County's trenchless sewer rehabilitation program of publicly owned sewer pipes and will allow for an additional 11 miles of aging infrastructure renewal. Fairfax County currently rehabilitates on average 20 miles annually out of 3,400 miles of total pipe. This funding will increase the rate at which aging sewer pipes can be rehabilitated by an additional 50 percent. Trenchless relining requires no digging and is completed for each pipe segment in one day. Trenchless relining reduces infiltration and inflow of water into the sewer, and reduces sewage from overflowing into the environment, protecting water quality and public health. Many of Fairfax County's sewer pipes were constructed between 1960 to 1990, in 50 miles sections. Many of the older sewer lines in the system are reaching the end of their life cycle and either need to be replaced or rehabilitated. Additional funding will accelerate the asset renewal rate for aging sanitary sewers. Rehabilitating sanitary sewer lines before they fail ensures uninterrupted service to the community and prevents sanitary sewer overflows, which would negatively impact the environment. Trenchless rehabilitation technology extends the life of assets by 50 years or longer. Lining sewer pipes is much less expensive than excavating and replacing failing pipes, and the rehabilitation of the system is achieved with minimal disturbance to the community and surrounding environment.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305.

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

Best Regards,



Gerald E. Connolly  
Member of Congress  
11<sup>th</sup> District, Virginia