

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515-1805**

March 20, 2026

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 Monroe Water System Reliability and Modernization Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is City of Monroe, located at 802 North 21<sup>st</sup> Street, Monroe, LA 71201.

The funding would be used to implement the Monroe Water System Reliability and Modernization Project in Monroe, Louisiana, including the replacement of aging water meters with advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) capable of real-time monitoring, leak detection, and remote system management. This project will improve water reliability and safety for residents, businesses, and essential community services.

This is a good use of taxpayer funding because it will protect public health, reduce water loss, lower long-term maintenance costs, and strengthen the efficiency and resilience of Monroe's municipal water system while supporting modern, reliable drinking water infrastructure.

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

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

I request you give this project every consideration, consistent with all rules and regulations. Thank you for your attention to this request. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,



Julia Letlow, Ph.D.  
MEMBER OF CONGRESS