

**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 Tallulah Water Plant Rehabilitation Project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is City of Tallulah, located at 204 North Cedar Street, Tallulah, LA 71282.

The funding would be used to rehabilitate the Tallulah Water Plant in Tallulah, Louisiana, including the installation of a backup generator and replacement of aging clear wells that are critical to the drinking water treatment system. These upgrades will bring the facility into compliance with state requirements for backup power and address infrastructure deficiencies that have contributed to an administrative order issued following a state of emergency in February 2025.

This project is a good use of taxpayer funding because it will improve the reliability and safety of drinking water service for nearly 7,000 residents and more than 2,800 homes and businesses in Tallulah, strengthen disaster resilience, and prevent costly system failures in a rural community with limited resources to address critical infrastructure needs.

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