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The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
House Appropriations Committee  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Appropriations Committee  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the MS4 Stormwater Management and Naugatuck River Wall Stabilization project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Torrington located at 140 Main Street, Torrington, CT 06790. Funding would be used to reduce pollution from stormwater systems, support permit compliance, improve water quality, implement TMDL reduction strategies, and build BMPs.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses several core regulatory requirements tied to municipal stormwater management and watershed protection. Torrington owns 5,621 stormwater catch basins, and the planned replacement of 2,700 outdated basins with modern deep sump structures will significantly reduce the discharge of sediment, debris, nutrients, bacteria, and other regulated pollutants into the Naugatuck River watershed. The project also enhances MS4 permit compliance by implementing modern best management practices, including the acquisition of vacuum trucks and regenerative air sweepers to expand pollutant removal capacity and reduce the risk of illicit discharges.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C.5305(a)(1), 5305(a)(2), 5305(a)(4), and/or 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John B. Larson". The signature is stylized with a large, looping initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

JOHN B. LARSON  
Member of Congress