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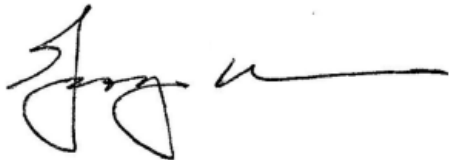
Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Lost Canyon 2A and Sand Canyon PFAS Groundwater Treatment Improvements in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency (SCV Water), located at 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, CA 91350.

The funding would be used to remove PFAS contaminants from two existing groundwater wells, allowing SCV Water to return them to service and restore up to 3,224 acre-feet per year of local potable water capacity. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it addresses critical public health concerns regarding "forever chemicals" (PFAS) in the drinking water supply. By restoring local groundwater sources, the project reduces the community's reliance on costlier imported water, enhances regional drought resilience, and ensures compliance with increasingly stringent federal drinking water standards.

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,



George Whitesides (CA27)
Member of Congress