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May 23, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman House Committee on Appropriations 2207 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 2413 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro

I am requesting funding for the St Helens Reservoir Project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of St. Helens located at 265 Strand St., St Helens, Oregon 97051. The funding would be used for the replacement of an existing 94-year-old reserve that has served well past its design lifespan. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it is replacing failing critical infrastructure, and the new reservoir will support new and existing housing along with economic development opportunities and job creation in rural Columbia County.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,

Suzanne Bonamici

Member of Congress

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