

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Morganza to the Gulf project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The funding would be used to support the New Orleans District's FY25 capability to continue construction on the Morganza to the Gulf Hurricane Protection System. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because constructing Reach F and designing other critical features of the system will provide immediate benefits to Houma and Terrebonne parishes, undoubtedly saving lives and livelihoods from future flood damage.

The project has a federal nexus because it is expressly authorized within section 1001 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2007 (Public Law 110-114). Additionally, the final feasibility study was also expressly authorized in section 7002 of the Water Resources Reform and Development Act of 2014 (Public Law 113-121).

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

Sincerely,



Garret Graves
Member of Congress