



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the San Lorenzo Valley Water District Tank Replacement project in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, located at 13060 HWY 9, Boulder Creek CA, 95062. The requested funds will be used to purchase and install one 120,000-gallon steel bolted storage tank, replacing two undersized potable water storage tanks with a combined current capacity of 75,000 gallons, in order to provide sufficient drinking water and fire protection storage for the communities of Forest Springs and Bracken Brae and allow permanent consolidation with SLVWD.

The proposed project is a good use of taxpayer funds as it secures potable water sources for two communities heavily impacted by the 2020 CZU fires, and increases fire capacities for these areas and surrounding communities. Without additional funding SLVWD rate payers or the small communities of Forest Springs and Bracken Brae would have to shoulder these costs, potentially preventing the consolidation from successfully moving forward.

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'J. Panetta', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jimmy Panetta
Member of Congress