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Canyon Creek Flume Replacement Project

May 2, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
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H-305, the Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth HOB
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Canyon Creek Flume Replacement Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Billings, 316 N. 26th Street, Billings, MT 59101. The funding would be used to replace the aging Canyon Creek flume, ensuring a reliable water supply for Billings and over 17,000 acres of farmland, protecting against water issues and supporting \$10 million in annual crop production. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Canyon Creek Flume ensures a stable water supply for Billings, supporting key sectors such as commerce, healthcare, agriculture, and emergency services, while contributing significantly to Montana's economy and job market.

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 "Troy Downing".

Troy Downing