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**Congress of the United States**  
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**Mary Taylor Main Canal Bifurcation and Hydropower Project**

May 23, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
Committee on Appropriations  
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 Mary Taylor Main Canal Bifurcation and Hydropower Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Greenfields Irrigation District, located at 105 Central Avenue West, Fairfield, MT 59436. The funding would be used to modernize and improve Greenfields Irrigation District's (GID) existing water infrastructure to conserve water, generate reliable local energy, and sustain local agricultural production. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will automate irrigation and by installing hydropower, conserve 11,000 acre-feet of water annually, generating 1.55 MW of power, and supporting agriculture, ecosystems, and energy independence.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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