



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-6502

March 27, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Appropriations Committee
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding to construct a bridge and connector road in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Greater Lafourche Port Commission located at 16829 East Main Street, Cut Off, LA 70345. The funding would be used to build a bridge and connector road to service the 1000-acre Fourchon Island site that is set to host domestic shipbuilding companies for a wide range of services, including deepwater rig, drillship, and heavy lift installation vessel repair and refurbishment, assembly & repair, general heavy industry fabrication, project cargo & logistics, as well as decommissioning. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because Port Fourchon services 100% of the Gulf of America's deepwater energy assets & it plays a strategic role in furnishing the U.S. with about 16% of its entire oil supply.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 46 USC 54301.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Steve Scalise".

Steve Scalise
Member of Congress