

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

March 24, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger
Chair
House Appropriations Committee
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

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

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Ohio County water district's raw water intake project for fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Ohio County Water District and is located at 124 East Washington Street, Hartford, KY 42347. This is a good use of taxpayer dollars because this project will affect all 6,115 OCWD customers, including the cities of Beaver Dam, Centertown and Fordsville since they purchase water wholesale from the district. A new 4.0 MGD membrane type WTP was constructed and placed into service in 2011 utilizing the Green River as a source of raw water. The Green River is the only source of raw water utilized by the OCWD WTP and the existing raw water intake is the only facility that the OCWD can use to transport raw water to the existing WTP.

Due to the presence of large rocks in the intake wet well, apparent holes in the supply line, and riverbank slope instability, it was determined that improvements must be made. The presence of large rocks in the wet well will cause pump damage, pump failure and ultimately loss of water supply.

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 neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Brett Guthrie

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Member of Congress