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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Maple Grove Bridge Replacement in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Forest Preserve District of DuPage County, located at 3S580 Naperville Road, Wheaton IL 60189. The project location at Lee Ave And Gilbert Ave, Downers Grove, IL. The funding would be used to help protect water quality and maintain recreational access in the Maple Grove Forest Preserve, part of the DuPage County Forest Preserve. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the bridge is structurally deficient. The bridge provides north-south access through Maple Grove Forest Preserve and between ballfields at Gilbert Park and neighborhoods along Gilbert Avenue and Maple Roads. It also carries a significant sanitary sewer overflow pipe for the Downers Grove Sanitary District. Its permanent removal would eliminate the only north-south pedestrian route in the preserve and minimize the sanitary district's service area.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by chapter 53 of title 49 of the United States Code.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Sean Casten

Member of Congress

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