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The Honorable Tom Cole
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
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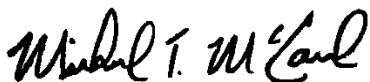
Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Grimes County in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service, located at 270 FM 149 W, Anderson, Texas, 77830, United States.

The purpose of this request is to construct a stormwater capture and rainwater harvesting system that will collect rainwater runoff and store it in a 50,000-gallon storage tank for reuse. This system will provide an additional water resource to support agricultural activities and serve as an emergency water source for local volunteer fire departments during drought conditions and wildfire response. By capturing stormwater that would otherwise be lost to runoff, the project will promote water conservation while strengthening emergency response capacity in this rural region.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for the purpose 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,



Michael T. McCaul
Member of Congress