

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20510

March 19, 2026

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
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Gold Bar Community Water Resilience and Fire Protection Enhancement – Gold Bar, WA project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Gold Bar, located at 107 5th St, Gold Bar, WA, 98251.

The funding would be used for the construction of a 250,000-gallon water storage tank and water main improvements, along with the purchase of water pumps to improve water flow to fire hydrants and combat increased risks of wildfires. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the City of Gold Bar, a rural community in the foothills of the Cascade Mountains, is increasingly vulnerable to wildfire risks. The entire city falls within the Wildfire Urban Interface (WUI), as designated by the U.S. Fire Administration. Increasing the available water storage capacity and the ability to deliver adequate firefighting flows to hydrants will improve the city's resiliency and reduce risks to citizens. The project will add 36 percent more water storage capacity and increase the available firefighting water flow by 63 percent.

This project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,



Kim Schrier, M.D.
Member of Congress