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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
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The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the O'Connor Stormwater Management in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of East Palo Alto located at 2415 University Avenue, East Palo Alto, CA 94303.

The funding would be used to replace four outmoded 225-horsepower diesel engines that are more than 50 years old and could fail at any moment. If the old engines fail, unfiltered stormwater will flow into the San Francisquito Creek and the San Francisco Bay during wet weather periods. The new engines will use less energy, reduce operation and maintenance costs by 60% and eliminate harmful diesel emissions that are hazardous to City residents, who tend to have more respiratory problems than those in nearby wealthier communities.

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

Sincerely,



Member of Congress