

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-1403

March 13, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
H-307, U.S. Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Allen County Parrot Road Reconstruction in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Board of Commissioners of County of Allen, located at 200 East Berry Street, Suite 280, Fort Wayne, IN 46802. The funding would be used to relocate and raise approximately 4,100 feet of Parrot Road above the 100-year flood elevation of the Maumee River, in order to mitigate flooding impacts from the Maumee River north of the roadway.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because of the risk of flooding, coupled with the lack of safety and emergency access during a blocked railroad crossing, this project addresses critical transportation concerns in the area. A segment of the existing roadway lies below the 10-year flood elevation of the Maumee River, part of the largest watershed flowing into the Great Lakes, making the roadway prone to repeated flooding and high-water events.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 U.S.C. 133.

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

Sincerely,



Marlin Stutzman
Member of Congress