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The Honorable Mike Simpson
Chairman
Subcommittee on Interior, Environment,
and Related Agencies
Committee on Appropriations

The Honorable Chellie Pingree
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Interior, Environment,
and Related Agencies
Committee on Appropriations

Dear Chairman Simpson and Ranking Member Pingree:

As you begin crafting the Fiscal Year 2026 Interior and Environment bill, I respectfully request that you give consideration to the following funding item that is shown below in priority order:

1. I am requesting funding for the Veteran's Memorial Stormwater Quality Retrofit Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Port St. Lucie. The funding would be used for stormwater storage, extending the time of runoff, and will improve water quality. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will manage stormwater, reduce nutrients from entering the St. Lucie River and St. Lucie Estuary, reduce flooding in local neighborhoods, and improve salinity levels in river and estuary to support aquatic animals and vegetation such as seagrass. The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Title VI of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C 1381 et seq.

Thank you for your consideration of these requests.

Sincerely,



Brian Mast
Member of Congress