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Chairman Tom Cole Ranking Member Rosa DeLauro House Committee on Appropriations H-307 U.S. Capitol Washington, DC. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I request \$4,300,000 for a community project funding request for the Buhl Rural Fire Protection District Station. The intended recipient is the Buhl Rural Fire Protection District. The applicant is located at 20083 U.S. 30 Buhl, Idaho 83316.

The Buhl Rural Fire Protection District does not currently have a fire station that meets the needs of the community. The fire station is not centrally located, they do not have enough room to house all needed apparatuses inside or have the space for an advanced life support vehicle needed for the remoteness of the county. During the winter months, vehicles are kept outside due to lack of space and must be weatherized before use, delaying operational readiness. Funding will be used to construct a fire station centrally located within the 102 square miles of the fire district. The new facility will have six apparatus bays that will house the needed equipment needed for the fire protection area. The apparatuses include engines, water tender, rescue, quick response unit, wildland brush trucks, and incident command vehicles.

This project has a Federal nexus because it is for the purpose authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a).

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

Sincerely,

Mike Simpson

Member of Congress