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CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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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 am requesting \$5,050,414.77. for a community project funding request for the G Canal BR, Cassia Co in the FY 25 Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development Appropriations Bill.

The intended recipient is the Idaho Transportation Department. The applicant is located at 216 South Date Street, Shoshone ID, 83352.

Funding would be used replace the culvert and the signal over the G Canal at State Highway 27 and 27th Street in Burley. The G Canal was built in the 1930s and runs underneath at the intersection of SH-27 and 27th Street. The culvert was lengthened in the 1960s and 1980s, but now the structure is ready for replacement. ITD will also replace the signal and widen 27th Street at the intersection to make room for future planned widening. The new signal will include flashing yellow arrows for permissive left turns rather than the green ball. The project will also raise the grade at the intersection to make it level so that vehicles, particularly commercial trucks, do not bottom out when passing through. Additionally, a new curb and gutter will help with drainage.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this long overdue structure needs replacement on a state highway where many taxpayers use this intersection. Further, this canal bridge supports the primary economic industry of the area and state by providing water delivery to meet agricultural needs.

This project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133 (b).

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



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