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**CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

April 28, 2022

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Chair
House Appropriations Committee
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting \$2.6 million for the Little Wood River, ID project in the FY23 Energy and Water Development Appropriations bill.

The project sponsor for this project is the City of Gooding located at 308 5th Avenue W. Gooding, ID 83330.

The funding is designated to replace .8 miles of failing rock wall. The channel, constructed with impermanent methods and dubious materials, is now more than eighty-two years old, and approaching the end of its useful life. Rehabilitation of the facility is warranted.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars because it would replace the walls of the channel that flows through the city of Gooding, Idaho, which was constructed in the 1930's. Many sections of the wall have failed, leading to an increase in localized flood risk and threat to adjacent public infrastructure and private property. It is also leading to long-term undermining of the public roads along its corridor from sub surface erosion.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mike Simpson" with "M.C." written in small letters at the end of the signature.

Mike Simpson
April 28, 2022