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May 23, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
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U.S. House of Representatives
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Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
1036 Longworth House Office Building
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Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Houma Navigation Canal in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, located at 7400 Leake Ave, New Orleans, LA 70118. The funding would be used to advance the deepening required for the Houma Navigation Canal, specifically efforts in the Pre-construction, Engineering, and Design (PED) phase. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because shipbuilding for the U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Navy, National Marine Fisheries Service, and NSF is conducted at locations along this channel.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 203 of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 1986 (P.L. 99-662). Moreover, the deepening of the channel was authorized in WRDA 2020 (P.L. 116-260).

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

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Clay Higgins".

Clay Higgins
Member of Congress