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March 18, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307, U.S. Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307, U.S. Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Station #81 Relocation Out of the Floodplain project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is Whatcom County Fire District #1, located at 101 E Main St. Everson, WA 98247. The funding would be used to relocate the district's primary fire station in Everson, WA out of a FEMA designated floodplain. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will address a critical public safety vulnerability at a fires station that has been frequently impacted by major flood events. strengthening regional disaster resilience and ensuring equitable access to reliable emergency services for rural and Tribal populations.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 203 of the Stafford Act (42 U.S.C. 5133), as amended by Section 1234, National Public Infrastructure Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation, of the Disaster Recovery Reform Act (DRRA) of 2018.

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

Sincerely,



Rick Larsen
U.S. Representative
Washington State, Second District