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## Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Tom Cole

Chairman

House Committee on Appropriations

Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro

Ranking Member

House Committee on Appropriations

Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Box Elder Creek Roadway Improvement Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Aurora, located at 15151 E. Alameda Parkway, Aurora, CO, 80012. The funding would be used to reconstruct the now closed, flood-damaged 56<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Hudson Road near Box Elder Creek and implement design and construction elements to mitigate future flood risks anticipated from high storm runoff and substantially increased creek flows. This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it is necessary for the rapid recovery and reopening of key arterial roads, ensuring they will be operational through future severe weather events. Reliable access on 56th Avenue and Hudson Road is critical for connectivity to key facilities such as Denver International Airport, Colorado Air and Space Port, and The Aurora Highlands, as well as power lines, utilities, and energy and agricultural resources.

The project has federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133.

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

Sincerely.

Jason Crow

Member of Congress