

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

May 3, 2024

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Dana Point Harbor Rockfall Mitigation Project, Dana Point, CA in fiscal year 2025.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the County of Orange, located at 400 W. Civic Center Drive, Santa Ana, CA 92701. The funding would be used to reduce and mitigate falling rock at the base of the Dana Point Harbor bluffs which has increased in risk due to recent severe winter weather storms. The project would include an installation of an engineered mesh rockfall barrier and provide protection for pedestrians, vehicles, and any buildings in the area near the base of the bluffs.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would reduce the impact of falling rock, which has been exacerbated by recent severe winter storms and resulted in massive cleanup efforts, road closures, and temporary closure or disruption of businesses, restaurants, and educational and recreational activities.

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,

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Member of Congress