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The Honorable Tom Cole Chairman Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives H 307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives 1036 Longworth HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

I am requesting funding for the Diaz Road Expansion Project in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive the funding for this project is the City of Temecula, located at 4100 Main Street, Temecula, CA 92590.

The funding would be used to expand a 2-mile stretch of Diaz Road, between Winchester Road/SR79 and Rancho California Road, from a two-lane road into a 4-lane divided road capable of fully serving as a major regional artery.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because Diaz Road has grown to become a significant freight corridor and a principal commuting route for the regional workforce. Furthermore, as a North-South corridor, Diaz Road is a critical alternative to the congested Interstate-15 through Temecula Valley, particularly during peak hours. This project completes a portion of the designated "Western Bypass" which is planned as an alternative bypass to Interstate-15, taking traffic off the freeway to the benefit of the region.

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

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, nor does anyone in my immediate family.

Thank you for your consideration in supporting this important project.

Sincerely,

DARRELL ISSA Member of Congress