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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for *Boat Haven Main Breakwater Replacement Project* in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Port of Port Townsend, located at 2701 Jefferson Street, Port Townsend, WA 98368.

The funding would be used to repair section of the breakwater that is failing and protects all of the Boat Haven Marina, access to the Port Townsend Boat Yard, the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter Osprey's berth and live seafood cargo off load facilities at both New Day Fisheries and the boat ramp used by tribal and commercial fishers. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because this project will protect existing state, federal and local investments in a USACE authorized structure and navigation channel, USCG berth, port marina, upland boat yard and more than 400 jobs that serve the marine trades sector that represents nearly 20% of the jobs in Jefferson County.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 46 USC 54301.

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

Sincerely,

Derek Kilmer

Member of Congress