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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Historic Dungeness River Railroad Bridge Restoration project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe of Indians, located at 1033 Old Blyn Highway, Sequim, WA 98382. This funding will support the restoration of the Dungeness River Railroad Bridge along the Olympic Discovery Trail in Clallam County, WA, preserving the National Historic Register of Historic Places structure for continued tourism and local use, while also protecting salmon habitat. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because intervention before failure is always more economical. The ability to keep the local park and Olympic Discovery Trail open for 335,000 users per year is positive for regional economic and environmental restoration goals. Completing the project with one comprehensive activity will save the public approximately \$1,054,000 compared to multiple rehabilitation steps over a 10-year period.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 201.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Derek Kilmer
Member of Congress