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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515-3103**

May 23, 2025

The Honorable Tom Cole  
Chairman  
House Appropriations Committee  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Ranking Member  
House Appropriations Committee  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Portales, NM Waste Transfer Facility Expansion in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Portales, NM, located at 1028 W Community Way, Portales, NM, 8813. The funding would be used for the development and construction of the expansion of the transfer station and to make it easier to take larger amounts of waste to Clovis when necessary.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it would lower the cost of solid waste transportation, lessen road damage, lower the cost of fuel and collection vehicle maintenance, and lower the cost of waste management services overall. It would also improve public health and safety, promote sustainability, and create job opportunities for the local community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,



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Teresa Leger Fernández  
Member of Congress