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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chair
House Appropriations Committee
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for the Upper Mississippi River Comprehensive Plan in the Fiscal Year 2022 Energy and Waters appropriations bill.

The Upper Mississippi River Basin Association is the project sponsor for this project. The project is located in Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, and Wisconsin.

The funding for this project will be used to improve public safety and the reliability of the navigation channel. The project will also improve the ecological habitat for fish and wildlife along the river. Overall, the project will increase flood resiliency for communities, address flood-related bottlenecks, prepare for long-duration drought events, and develop strategies for more effectively managing sediment.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and would provide the level of flood resiliency needed to protect lives and livelihoods, property, businesses, communities, and public infrastructure.

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

Sincerely,



Sam Graves
Member of Congress

Date Signed: June 3, 2021