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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Natomas Basin Levee project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, located at Sacramento District 1325 J Street -- Room 1640, Sacramento, CA 95814. The funding would be used for increased flood protection to the residents and property within the basin by reconstructing the current levees to address existing seepage concerns and other problems. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Natomas Basin is home to more than 80,000 residents, covering more than 50,000 acres of land used for suburban residential, commercial, major transportation, rural residential, and agricultural purposes. A levee failure in the Natomas Basin, could result in the flooding of more than 55,000 acres, where approximately 100,000 people live.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 7002 of the Water Resource Development Act, 33 U.S.C. 2232.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ami Bera".

Member of Congress