

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-2201

May 10, 2024

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for Higgins Lake Wastewater Collection and Treatment System, Phase II in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Gerrish Lyon Utility Authority, located at 2997 W. Higgins Lake Drive, Roscommon, MI 48653. The funding would be used for engineering design/development of the wastewater collection system and treatment plant, as well as acquisition of the treatment plant site that will serve the households around Higgins Lake in Gerrish and Lyon Townships. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because Higgins Lake's many visitors every year have overwhelmed the area's aging/inadequate wastewater infrastructure, resulting in a health and environmental crisis for residents. Having a well-maintained sewer system is integral to sanitation and disease prevention.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Title VI of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C 1381 et seq.

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

Sincerely,



Jack Bergman
Member of Congress