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The Honorable Tom Cole Chair Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$1,500,000 for the Lane County Rural Fire Radio Network Resilience project in Fiscal Year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Lane County, located at 125 East 8th Ave, Eugene, OR 97401. The proposed service areas include Pleasant Hill, Cottage Grove, Creswell, Coburg, Junction City, Veneta, Noti, Walton, and Marcola.

The funding would be used to support and redundancy to the Lane County Rural Fire Radio Network by increasing backup power and updating aged communications infrastructure at remote radio sites that support critical public safety communications. Funds will be used for the purchase and installation of equipment at 10 mountaintop radio sites in Lane County, Oregon that support 14 rural fire districts.

This project has a federal nexus because it is for the purposes authorized in Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a). I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Val Hoyle Member of Congress