April 30, 2021

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Emerald Necklace Green Infrastructure Campus in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Amigos de los Rios, located at 908 E Altadena Dr, Altadena, CA 91001.

The funding would be for the Emerald Necklace Green Infrastructure Campus retrofit project that benefits three Monrovia Unified School District Public School/Joint Use Campuses serving over 2,000 students and surrounding communities designated as low income (DAC) by Cal Enviroscreen: Monrovia High School, Santa Fe Middle School, and Plymouth Elementary School. The project would implement green infrastructure solutions to protect water resources and address legacy public safety flooding, drainage, and vector challenges within communities underserved by the County Storm Drain network. Funding would also go towards outdoor classrooms, assembly and gathering spaces. These outdoor classrooms will include green infrastructure elements: bioswales, rain gardens, LID infiltration planters, and pervious surfaces created to address 20+ acres of storm water/runoff and related drainage and flood control challenges on all three campuses. The Green Infrastructure School Campuses will serve as immersive STEAM environments where students can learn about watershed protection through sustainable public landscape design.

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

Sincerely,

Grace F. Napolitano
Member of Congress