

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

March 31, 2023

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$3,945,000 in funding for the City of Northfield Water Treatment Facility in Fiscal Year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Paul District, 332 Minnesota Street, Suite E1500, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101.

The funding would be used to design and construct a water treatment facility that will help reduce unsafe levels of manganese in the drinking water for Northfield residents. In 2022, the City received authorization for the Water Treatment Facility through the National Defense Authorization Act of 2022. The appropriation would allow the City to design and construct a new facility utilizing gravity filtration with reverse osmosis which would lower hardness under the EPA's secondary standards and lower manganese below the Minnesota Department of Health's guidance level and EPA's secondary standard.

This project is a valuable use of taxpayer money because, upon completion, it will provide safe drinking water to all residents of Northfield while protecting residents from future contaminants. Additionally, it will protect the Cannon River by reducing chlorides discharged to the river through in-home water softeners that can be removed once the project is completed.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 8375 of the James M. Inhofe National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Public Law 117-263).

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,



Angie Craig
Member of Congress