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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the LA River Path (between Riverside Drive and Atlantic Boulevard) project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro), located at One Gateway Plaza, Los Angeles CA 90012. The funding would be used to bridge the longest continuous gap of 8-miles in the LA River bicycle corridor, extending the river from Elysian Valley to the City of Maywood, through downtown Los Angeles and the City of Vernon. Upon completion, the project will enhance regional connectivity by creating a seamless 32-mile traffic-separated active transportation route for walking, rolling, and cycling, stretching from the San Fernando Valley to the City of Long Beach along the LA River. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the project would provide considerable benefits to residents of Downtown Los Angeles, Lincoln Heights, Chinatown, and Boyle Height, including enhanced access to the often inaccessible LA River, improved mobility and expanded regional access to employment, educational, and recreational opportunities for underserved populations within the project area.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 23 USC 133(b).

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

Sincerely,

Jimmy Gomez
Member of Congress