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The Honorable John KennedyThe Honorable Patty MurrayChairRanking MemberSenate Committee on AppropriationsSenate Committee on AppropriationsSubcommittee on Energy and Water DevelopmentSubcommittee on Energy and Water DevelopmentSD – 131SH – 125Washington, DC 20510Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chair Kennedy and Ranking Member Murray,

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending items that I have requested in the Fiscal Year 2026 Energy and Water Development Appropriations bill, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate. None of the entities for which I have requested congressionally directed spending are for-profit entities.

Sincerely,

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Chris Van Hollen United States Senator

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Van Hollen, Chris(D-MD) Energy and Water Development Congressionally Directed Spending Requests

Recipient Name	Project Purpose	Project Location	Amount Requested (\$000)
Army Corps of Engineers	Funds will support the assessment of dredging needs for publicly accessible shallow-draft channels resulting in recommendations for high-priority projects supporting the recreational and commercial capabilities and safety of Maryland's waterways.	Anne Arundel County MD	\$391
Army Corps of Engineers	Funds will support dredging activities on the Northeast River to improve navigation in the river ensuring safe passage for vessels.	Cecil County MD	\$20
Army Corps of Engineers	Funds will be used to continue construction of the Mid-Bay Chesapeake Island Ecosystem Restoration Project, an innovative solution to using dredged material from the Port of Baltimore to create habitat that both protects the Mid-bay shoreline and benefits the health of the waterway and wildlife.	Dorchester County MD	\$102,000
Army Corps of Engineers	Funds will be used to upgrade the pumping station and make other modifications to the existing structure. Upgrades include the installation of an odor control system and various other site and electrical improvements.	Dorchester County MD	\$2,500
Army Corps of Engineers	Funds will be used for the development for a coordinated, comprehensive master plan to restore and protect the Chesapeake Bay watershed along the Choptank River, including living shoreline development to build up marshes and prevent flooding.	Dorchester County MD	\$500
Army Corps of Engineers	Funds will support the dredging of Slaughter Creek which connects waterway users of Taylor's Island with the Little Choptank River.	Dorchester County MD	\$4,805
Army Corps of Engineers	Funds will be used to continue rehabilitation of the Cambridge Creek Interceptor, a vital conduit for wastewater that serves one-third of Cambridge residents and downtown businesses.	Dorchester County MD	\$2,000
Army Corps of Engineers	Funds will be used to replace aging sewer and water lines in Aberdeen, improving water infrastructure for residents.	Harford County MD	\$7,000
Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin	Funds will be used to support the Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin including its efforts to improve emergency response capabilities, protect water quality, and increase recreational and economic development opportunities for the region.	Montgomery County MD	\$650
Army Corps of Engineers	Funds will be used to assess the feasibility of a secondary drinking water source and additional drinking water storage capability for the region in order to improve the water supply.	Prince George's County MD	\$500
Army Corps of Engineers	Funds will be used to replace a more than 30-year-old water treatment plant with one designed to meet critical community needs and ensure access to clean and reliable water for residents, visitors, and businesses.	Talbot County MD	\$9,564
Army Corps of Engineers	Funds will be used for a new water tower necessary to provide essential pressure regulation, fire flow capacity, redundancy, and emergency supply for the new University of Maryland Medical System (UMMS) Shore Regional Medical Center.	Talbot County MD	\$2,325
Army Corps of Engineers	Funds will be used for oyster restoration activities in Maryland and Virginia.	Talbot County MD	\$6,450
Army Corps of Engineers	Funds will be used for shoreline replenishment in Ocean City, Maryland to increase protection against coastal storm risk.	Worcester County MD	\$17,200
Army Corps of Engineers	Funds will be used to evaluate multiple issues impacting Ocean City and the Back Bays including flooding and storm damage and threats to public facilities; erosion of wetlands and wildlife habitat; and navigation difficulties in the federal channels.	Worcester County MD	\$500