April 26, 2021

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

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Navigation and Ecosystem Sustainability Program (NESP) in fiscal year 2022.

The entity requesting funding for this project is the Clayton County Farm Bureau, located at 24542 Iowa Hwy 13, Elkader, IA 52043. The project is managed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District, located at 1500 Rock Island Dr., Rock Island, IL 61201. The Rock Island District is the entity receiving the funding. The project address is 10 Sandy Slough Rd, Winfield, MO 63389.

The funding for this project will be used to support an authorized new construction start for NESP projects in the Upper Mississippi River System. This funding would contribute to the construction of new 1,200-foot locks at Locks & Dams 25 on the Upper Mississippi River, and at LaGrange on the Illinois Waterway. The plan also includes construction of navigation efficiencies, including mooring facilities, lock guide-walls, switch-boats, and mitigation projects. Concurrently, NESP will restore and preserve over 100,000 acres of habitat in a navigation-compatible way.

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

Sincerely,

Ashley Hinson  
Member of Congress  
Committee on Appropriations