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The Honorable Rose L. DeLauro
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The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting \$ 1,115,720.40 for Truck and Salt Shed Replacement – Perry County in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Perry County Highway Department, located at 3698 IL Route 13/127, Pinckneyville, IL 62274.

The funding would be used to replace a truck storage building and a salt storage building. The existing buildings will be removed because they have structural issues that pose a health and safety threat for our employees. The new truck storage building will be placed in the same footprint as the original truck storage building. The new salt storage building will be constructed to the East of its current location and will fit better with current operations. The current buildings do not meet State or Federal Regulations but the new buildings when built will comply with all State and Federal Regulations.

The Perry County Highway department is responsible for maintaining 500 miles of road and 100 bridges within Perry County. To effectively maintain the roads, a centrally located facility is needed to store equipment and materials. The location of the proposed facility is centrally located within the County and is in close proximity to other county officials which will help to ensure the most efficient and timely deployment of County Highway resources.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits. The proposed building removes the current possibility of an employee being hurt as a result of a building collapse. An injury of this type could be permanent, is a life changing event for the employee, and could result in massive costs by the County. This project will also increase the County's efficiency so that they can invest extra funds into their road network. After considering labor and supplies needed as a result of our current facilities and excluding any workers compensation payout and premium change estimates, the county estimates \$40,000 per year in cost savings.

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

Sincerely,



Mike Bost
Member of Congress