

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations,
Washington, D.C. 20515

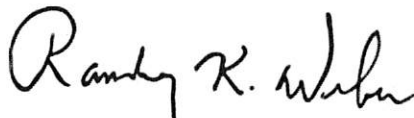
Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Port of Beaumont Low Line and Main Street Rail Rehabilitation Project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Port of Beaumont Navigation District of Jefferson County, Texas, located at 1225 Main Street, Beaumont, Texas 77707. The funding would be used to reconstruct the Port of Beaumont's inoperable Low Line Rail that was damaged in 2017 by Hurricane Harvey and rehabilitate rail at the Port's Main Street Terminal, the most significant rail network within the Port. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the proposed terminal being supported by the Rail Rehabilitation Project has the potential to increase general cargo handling capacity at the Port of Beaumont by 25% and support an additional 1,800 direct, indirect, induced, and related user jobs, based on numbers extrapolated from a 2024 Port of Beaumont Economic Impact Study. The existing Main Street Terminal 2 will also benefit from the proposed rail improvements and will realize a 1,000 percent increase in railcar switching capacity upon construction of Rail Rehabilitation Project.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 46 U.S.C. 54301.

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

Sincerely,



RANDY K. WEBER
United States Representative