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MEMBER OF CONGRESS
FOURTEENTH DISTRICT, TEXAS

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

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

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I request funding for Operations & Maintenance (Dredging of Sabine River) Project in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Orange County Navigation and Port District (Port of Orange), located at 1201 Childers Road, Orange, Texas 77630.

The proposed action is to dredge approximately 21,000 linear feet of the Sabine River and beneficially use the dredge material at Hickory Cove Marsh, a parcel located approximately 1,500 feet north of the Sabine River. The last time the Sabine River was dredged was in 2012, when only a small stretch of the Sabine River was dredged (1,600 feet/12,000 cubic yards). Before that, the Sabine River was dredged in 2009; 615,000 cubic yards was dredged. Due to lack of placement areas, there is currently over 1.5M cubic yards of material that needs to be dredged at this critical turn up the Sabine River to the Port of Orange. The Sabine River is federally authorized to 30 feet and is currently draft restricted to 23 feet.

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

Sincerely,

RANDY K. WEBER
Member of Congress