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

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Collins Pine Forest Healthy & Resilience Partnership in Fiscal Year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Resource Conservation District of Tehama County, located at 2 Sutter Street, #D, Red Bluff, California 96080. The funding would be used for enabling Collins Pine and the Resource Conservation District of Tehama County to complete forest health and fuel reduction connectivity between federal, private industrial and non-industrial private forestlands adjacent to rural communities and critical riparian habitats, creating a benchmark of desired conditions from which project work completed by adjacent landowners can be leveraged. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it supports cross-boundary, multi-jurisdictional pre-fire management prescriptions and forest health treatments where State, federal, and local agencies are collaborating with private industry and landowners to reduce wildfire impacts and protect people, property, and critical natural resources.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is authorized by the Soil Conservation and Allotment Domestic Act of 1935, 16 U.S. Code sections 590a-590d and 590f-g.

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

Sincerely,



Doug LaMalfa  
Member of Congress

