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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
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U.S. House of Representatives
Washington D.C. 20515

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

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for West Inverness Trail Connector project in fiscal year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Inverness, Florida, located at 212 West Main Street, Inverness, FL 34450. The funding will link Florida's Withlacoochee State Trail with Whispering Pines Park, creating the final link of a triangle of paved trails. This connector will offer new opportunities for recreation, community health and fitness, and tourism while also opening another multi-modal trail that can serve as an alternative to vehicular traffic, which alleviates traffic on federal, state and local roads.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by section 23 U.S.C. 133.

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

Sincerely,


Member of Congress