



UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 2, 2025

The Hon. Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
2207 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Hon. Rosa L. DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
2413 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the City of Middleton, WI Graber Greenway project in Fiscal Year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is:

City of Middleton
7426 Hubbard Avenue
Middleton, WI 53562

The funding would establish a continuous greenway between Graber Pond and the Pheasant Branch Conservancy, surrounding the existing drainageway with conservancy lands and enhanced stormwater management facilities. This project will reduce damage caused by floods and other natural disasters, both locally and throughout the City of Middleton. This is a priority for the City after the flood of 2018, a 1,000-year flood event, caused millions of dollars in public property damage and required 5 years of rebuilding and repairs. The City plans to increase resiliency in this area by utilizing stormwater practices will help reduce soil erosion, improve soil health, increase wildlife habitat, and improve water quality both locally and across the City of Middleton.

This project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes 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,

Mark Pocan
Member of Congress