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March 19, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
House Appropriations Committee
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
House Appropriations Committee
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for SD CoastalWATCH – Coastal Air and Water Quality Monitoring, Early Warning, and Health Protection System for the Tijuana River Corridor in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is The Regents of the University of California - Scripps Institution of Oceanography, located at 9500 Gilman Drive #0210, La Jolla, CA 92093-0210. The funding would be used to purchase a mobile laboratory van and necessary equipment to sustain and expand the monitoring network of toxic gas species and airborne pathogens stemming from Tijuana River Valley Pollution.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it directly serves the federal interest in protecting coastal resources, public health, and the communities that depend on a clean and accessible coastline.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 16 U.S.C. § 1451.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Scott H. Peters".

Scott H. Peters

Member of Congress

