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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$640,000 in funding for a study of operational improvements and interstate upgrade options in Lamesa, TX. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Lamesa, located at 601 S 1st Street Lamesa, TX 79331.

On the future I-27 corridor, a key location occurs at the city of Lamesa where future I-27E follows US 87 to Big Spring and future I-27W follows SH 349 to Midland/Odessa. A relief route study was completed in early 2010 but was not selected going forward. With the future I-27 designation in place, a new study will be required. However, in the meantime, there is an opportunity to improve the existing traffic flow on US 87 through Lamesa by converting two 2-lane roads through town including existing US 87 and Bus 87 (Dallas Ave) into two one-way pairs. The funding will be used to complete the planning for the existing US-87 through the City of Lamesa to a One-Way pair. This funding is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will facilitate the flow of traffic in Lamesa, Texas, and prepare the highways and the community for future development of the newly-designated I-27 highway.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is authorized by 23 U.S. Code § 133(b)(2) and is a federal highway.

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

Sincerely



Jodey Arrington
Member of Congress