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The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Okabena Water Infrastructure Improvements project in fiscal year 2026. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Okabena, MN, located at 101 North Main Ave, Okabena, MN 56161.

The funding would be leveraged to repair, replace, and reconstruct Okabena's water distribution system to provide the residents and businesses of Okabena with a safe and dependable water system.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the distribution system has experienced an increased number of watermain failures which elevates the risk for system contamination and interrupts residents' supply of safe and clean water.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Title VI of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C 1381 et seq.

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

Sincerely,



Brad Finstad
Member of Congress