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Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Trenton Mercer Airport Taxiway Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is County of Mercer, New Jersey, located at 640 S. Broad Street, Trenton, NJ 08650. Funding would be used to reconstruct a portion of Taxiway A (from the TW A - Taxiway C intersection to Taxiway J intersection point of curvature, roughly 25,800 SY). This project will entail a full reconstruction of Taxiway A to provide the required pavement strength for the existing fleet mix. The project will also include minor grading, and airfield markings required for the project as well as turf restoration. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the airport currently needs to repair (milling and replacement of asphalt) the wheel path ruts every summer due to the inadequate pavement strength for the existing. Thirteen years after its last reconstruction in which it was designed for aircraft less than half the size of the current fleet, it would provide a long-term upgrade of the Taxiway to enable it to handle the existing fleet mix at the airport. The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 49 U.S.C. 47100 et seq. I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,



Bonnie Watson Coleman
Member of Congress