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May 3, 2024

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
House Committee on Appropriations
H-307, The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Sand Mountain Research and Extension Center: Improving Farmer Production Systems in Crossville, AL in fiscal year 2025.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Auburn University, located at 107 Samford Hall, Auburn, Alabama, 36849.

The funding would be used for two watersheds with similar soil and topographic characteristics will be located at the Sand Mountain Research and Extension Center.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because Agriculture is the economic lifeblood of Northeast Alabama's rural Sand Mountain region, and Auburn University extension staff at the Sand Mountain Research and Extension Center have played a role in strengthening the area's farm sector for nearly 100 years.

The 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.

If you need additional information on this request, please do not hesitate to contact me or my staff.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to working with you this year.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert B. Aderholt".

Robert B. Aderholt
Member of Congress