

Project Name:

Granite County Clean Water Infrastructure Project Phase II

Recipient:

Town of Philipsburg

Address:

P.O. Box 339 Philipsburg, MT 59858

Amount Required:

\$2,000,000

Project Description:

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March 19, 2026

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

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

Re: Granite County Clean Water Infrastructure Project Phase II

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Granite County Clean Water Infrastructure Project Phase II in Fiscal Year 2027

The entity to receive funding for this project is Town of Philipsburg, Montana located at P.O. Box 339 Philipsburg, MT 59858.

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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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "R. K. Zinke". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping "R" and "K".

Ryan Zinke
Member of Congress