Project Name:
Groff Lane Bridge Replacement Project

Recipient:
Ravalli County

Address:
215 South 4th Street, Hamilton, MT 59840

Amount Requested:
$1,143,000

Project Explanation:
Ravalli County is one of the fastest growing counties in Montana. Groff Lane provides access to larger agricultural tracts in Ravalli County and a future potential public access. The narrow bridges need to be replaced to allow for safer passage and also to ensure that irrigation water delivery can continue to some larger agricultural water users in the Bitterroot Valley.

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515–2601

May 23, 2025

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: Groff Lane Bridge Replacement Project

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Groff Lane Bridge Replacement Project in Fiscal Year 2026.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Ravalli County, Montana located at 215 South 4th Street, Hamilton, MT 59840.

The funding would be used to replace narrow bridges on Groff Lane in Ravalli County. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because Ravalli County is one of the fastest growing counties in Montana. Groff Lane provides access to larger agricultural tracts in Ravalli County and a future potential public access. The narrow bridges need to be replaced to allow for safer passage and also to ensure that irrigation water delivery can continue to some larger agricultural water users in the Bitterroot Valley.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is consistent with purposes authorized in 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

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

Sincerely,

Ryan Zinke
Member of Congress