

Project Name: Stonewall Road and Sewer System Improvements

Recipient: Town of Stonewall

Address: 201 W Main Street, Stonewall, OK

Amount Requested: \$4,500,000

Project Explanation:

The Town of Stonewall, like most small rural Oklahoma municipalities, faces extreme challenges with road and sewer maintenance. The town's streets and sewer system have experienced critical deterioration and disrepair due to a lack of funding and systems working past their useful life expectancy. For instance, the town receives only \$275 per month for road repair and has a sewer system which largely dates back to the 1960s and has had recurring issues with underground pipe collapses, resulting in open-air sinkholes, ground- and waste-water infiltration of the system, and overload of the town's 3-cell lagoon system. With this funding, the town will resurface 3 primary traffic surface miles and 12 secondary surface miles of road rated for vehicles and school buses. As part of its resurfacing of the main thoroughfare, which includes most of the town's businesses, it will also upgrade sidewalks to be ADA-compliant and install lighting, making the thoroughfare safer for pedestrians at night. Concerning the sewer system, this funding will permit the replacement of the main delivery line to the lagoon system, as well as most collection lines on the north side of town. This is a good use of taxpayer funding as it will address years of deferred maintenance and replacement that hinders the economic growth of the town.

TOM COLE

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March 31, 2023

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Town of Stonewall Roads and Sewer System Improvement Project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Town of Stonewall, located at 201 W Main Street, Stonewall, OK 74871. The funding would be used for sewer line replacements, resurfacing town streets, and downtown streetscape. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it will provide much-needed infrastructure improvements for the community.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2) and 5305(a)(5).

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

Sincerely,

TOM COLE
Member of Congress