



## **FISCAL YEAR 2010 APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST**

### **INTERIOR**

#### **Construction**

Recipient: National Park Service  
Location: Shanksville, PA  
Amount: \$725,000

Flight 93 National Memorial – In 2002, Congress created the Flight 93 National Memorial in Somerset, Pennsylvania, to honor the 40 passengers and crewmembers of United Airlines Flight 93, who gave their lives to save countless others on September 11, 2001. The Memorial received \$2.65 million from fiscal year 2003 to fiscal year 2006, for technical assistance and planning. In fiscal years 2007 and 2008, the National Park Service was appropriated \$10 million to acquire the land necessary for the memorial. And for fiscal year 2009, \$1.2 million was provided for construction of the memorial. I urge the Subcommittee to provide \$725,000 in fiscal year 2010 for construction of the Flight 93 National Memorial to fulfill the federal funding obligation and ensure that the memorial will be dedicated by the 10 year anniversary in 2011.

#### **Land Acquisition and State Assistance**

Recipient: National Park Service  
Location: Monroe and South Middleton Townships, Cumberland County, PA  
Amount: \$1,820,000

Appalachian National Scenic Trail – I urge the Subcommittee to provide \$1.82 million to acquire approximately 1000 acres of fragmented forested land contiguous to the Appalachian National Scenic Trail in Cumberland County, PA. The acreage includes 5 separate parcels all owned by an individual willing to sell the land, but who also has expressed interest in developing the property. Development would compromise the pristine condition of the land and could prove detrimental to surrounding communities. These lands help to protect the community's drinking water recharge area and the cold water fishery of the Yellow Breeches Creek. The White Rocks Trail also provides a very popular recreational resource for hikers and other outdoor enthusiasts.

#### **National Wildlife Refuge Fund**

Recipient: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
Location: Monroe and Northampton Counties  
Amount: \$3,497,000

Cherry Valley National Wildlife Refuge – I urge the Subcommittee to provide \$3.497 million for land acquisition within the Cherry Valley National Wildlife Refuge, which was authorized in December 2008. Cherry Valley is a scenic stream valley at the base of the Kittatinny Ridge in Monroe and Northampton Counties, Pennsylvania. Cherry Creek flows into the Delaware River at the Delaware Water Gap and the

Valley supports numerous rare and threatened species. The requested funding will be used to purchase fee interest or conservation easements on approximately 406 acres. These initial National Wildlife Refuge purchases include important habitat along Cherry Creek, critical to the endangered bog turtle, the headwaters of Cherry Creek, and extensive forest land along Kittatinny Ridge near the Appalachian Trail.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

### **ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS AND MANAGEMENT**

Recipient: Small Public Water System Technology Assistance Centers  
Location: National  
Amount: \$4,000,000

Small Public Water System Technology Assistance Centers (SPWSTAC) - I urge the Subcommittee to provide \$4 million for the SPWSTAC, which are part of a national network of eight technical assistance centers (TACNet) that support the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Goal of providing “clean and safe water,” to residents served by small public water systems. The overall mission of the Pennsylvania State University SPWSTAC is to foster technology evaluation and training for operators, trainers, engineers, owners and managers of small water systems. The center delivers low-cost, high quality training and assistance for those systems with less than 3,300 people in Region III EPA, as well as training materials and technical publications.

Recipient: National Rural Water Association  
Location: National  
Amount: \$16.8 million

National Rural Water Association – I urge the Subcommittee to provide \$16.8 million to the National Rural Water Association to train water system personnel and provide on-site technical assistance to small communities to assist with drinking water quality and EPA compliance concerns. Additional funding would increase the number of rural communities that adopt groundwater protection plans.

### **STATE AND TRIBAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS**

Recipient: Allegheny County Sanitary Authority (ALCOSAN)  
Location: 3300 Preble Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15233-1092  
Amount: \$5,000,000

ALCOSAN - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for ALCOSAN’s Three Rivers Wet Weather Demonstration Program to fix municipal sewers, protect the region’s water quality and augment the investment of local governments in compliance with the Clean Water Act. This is accomplished through cultivating inter-municipal cooperation among 82 municipalities, targeted investments and technical innovations emanating from the program. Currently, the Pittsburgh region is facing its largest and most costly public works project thus far, which will result in the rehabilitation and long-term maintenance of 4,000 miles of sewers that serve nearly one million residents in the area. In fiscal year 2009, this project received \$800,000.

Recipient: Findlay Township Municipal Authority

Location: 1271 State Route 30, Clinton, PA, 15026  
Amount: \$1,945,000

Findlay Township Municipal Authority - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for Findlay Township Municipal Authority's water and sewer expansion and upgrade project. This project will allay the concerns of the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection that the sanitary sewer system must be expanded to convey additional effluent flow. Funding will be used to install water transmission lines, increase sanitary sewer capacity, install a 1.5 million gallon water storage tank and expand sewage treatment plant capacity.

Recipient: City of Reading  
Location: 815 Washington Street, Reading, PA 19601  
Amount: \$2.5 million

City of Reading - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for renovation and modernization of the City of Reading's wastewater treatment works on Fritz Island. Upgrading of the city's wastewater infrastructure is necessary in order to comply with a Department of Justice Clean Water Act Consent Decree. Malfunctions at the existing wastewater facility are negatively impacting water quality in the region to the detriment of downstream communities. This wastewater facility serves approximately 130,000 residents of the entire service area, 82,000 of which reside in the City of Reading, which has experienced years of Clean Water Act compliance problems due to its aging infrastructure.

Recipient: City of Allentown  
Location: 435 Hamilton Street, Allentown, PA 18101  
Amount: \$2,500,000

City of Allentown - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding to the City of Allentown for the purpose of upgrading its Klines Island Waste Water Treatment Plant. The necessary upgrades will eliminate the sanitary sewer overflows which occur during wet weather events when the the Kline's Island facility's capacity is exceeded. Currently to prevent the treatment plant from being damaged by flooding, a small portion of the untreated influent wastewater is bypassed to the Little Lehigh Creek during periods of heavy rain. The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection and the U.S. EPA have required the City of Allentown to eliminate these sewage overflows. Funding will be used to design and construct an equalization tank to store wastewater from significant wet weather events that exceeds the capacity of the treatment facility and, after flows diminish, the stored wastewater can be slowly reintroduced into the collection system to receive full treatment.

Recipient: Sheffield Township  
Location: P.O. Box 784, Sheffield, PA 16347, Warren County, PA  
Amount: \$3,300,000

Sheffield Township - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the Sheffield Township wastewater system. The current wastewater system in Sheffield Township is over 100 years old and no longer functions effectively. Fractured lines result in leakage into ground water, and infiltration problems lead to overloads at the under-sized treatment plant. Funding for this project will allow Sheffield Township to proceed with necessary upgrades in order to eliminate surface and ground water contamination, and to expand the capacity of the wastewater treatment plant.

Recipient: York City Sewer Authority  
Location: 1701 Blackbridge Rd., York, PA 17402

Amount: \$325,000

York City Sewer Authority - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the York City Sewer Authority for the purpose of constructing a new headworks facility at their wastewater treatment plants. On December 20, 2006, the York City Sewer Authority received notification from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection that the wastewater treatment plant must achieve higher water quality standards by removing additional nitrogen and phosphorous during the treatment process. These upgrades are necessary to ultimately remove the Chesapeake Bay from the EPA's impaired waters list. The proposed, siphon, interceptor, and headworks improvements are designed to achieve the PA Department of Environmental Protection's and the EPA's goal of water quality compliance by September 2010.

Recipient: Borough of Marysville  
Location: 200 Overcrest Road, Marysville, PA 17053  
Amount: \$2,000,000

Borough of Marysville - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the Borough of Marysville's sanitary sewer / storm sewer separation project. Funding will be used for the Borough of Marysville to separate 20,000 linear feet of combined sanitary and storm sewer system. Currently, during high rain events the combined sewer system discharges untreated effluent into the Susquehanna River which feeds the Chesapeake Bay. By eliminating the combined system, it will eliminate the nitrogen and phosphorus levels entering the watershed.

Recipient: Springtown Water Authority  
Location: PO BOX 469, Springtown, PA 18081  
Amount: \$500,000

Springtown Water Authority - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the Springtown Water Authority for upgrades to its water delivery system. The system pulls water from three springs located near Cooks Creek. Much of the piping is over 75 years old and in need of constant repair. Funding will be used to allow the authority to install new pipes, and upgrade existing ones, to improve overall function of the system, and to offset the cost to consumers.

Recipient: Central Wayne Regional Authority  
Location: 100 Fourth Street, Suite 8 Honesdale, PA 18431  
Amount: \$3,000,000

Central Wayne Regional Authority - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the Central Wayne Regional Authority to expand its wastewater treatment capacity. The authority is currently under an EPA Consent Decree, and must make these necessary upgrades in order to meet water quality standards and comply with environmental laws. Funding will offset the financial burden on the residents of Honesdale Borough, Texas Township, Cherry Ridge Township, and Berlin Township.

Recipient: Haines Aaronsburg Municipal Authority  
Location: 420 Holmes Street, Bellefonte, PA, 16823  
Amount: \$250,000

Haines Aaronsburg Municipal Authority - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the Haines Aaronsburg Municipal Authority's water line interconnection project. Funding will be used for a water line interconnection between the Borough of Millheim and Aaronsburg. This project is necessary to provide citizens in the area with an adequate supply of water.

Recipient: Scott Township Sewer and Water Authority  
Location: 1038 Montdale Road, Scott Township, PA 18447  
Amount: \$1,000,000.

Scott Township Sewer and Water Authority - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for Scott Township's sanitary sewer collection system. Funding will be used to decrease high monthly user fees. The project is necessary to abate groundwater contamination and the discharge of effluent into Chapman Lake and Griffin Pond.

Recipient: Southwest Delaware County Municipal Authority  
Location: 1 Gamble Lane, Aston, PA, 19014  
Amount: \$394,000

Southwest Delaware County Municipal Authority - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for Southwest Delaware County Municipal Authority's wastewater treatment plant digester rehabilitation project. Funding will be used to support costs associated with the rehabilitation of fixed metal covers for two wastewater digester facilities. These facilities are capped to prevent the unmitigated release of compressed methane gas and as such, will be equipped with gas lines to offer energy efficient cogeneration ability.

Recipient: North Londonderry Township  
Location: 655 East Ridge Road, Palmyra, PA, 17078  
Amount: \$360,000

North Londonderry Township - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for construction of North Londonderry Township's wastewater treatment plant, which will provide service to the township and the Borough of Palmyra. The new treatment plan and associated network will enable regional compliance with the Chesapeake Bay cleanup standards.

Recipient: Derry Township Municipal Authority  
Location: 670 Clearwater Road, Hershey, PA, 17033  
Amount: \$270,000

Derry Township Municipal Authority - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for Derry Township Municipal Authority for upgrade and expansion of their sewer system. This project is necessary to meet compliance standards associated with the Chesapeake Bay clean-up efforts. Funding will be used to construct a 275,000 gallon liquid sludge storage tank and dense phase conveyance compressor.

Recipient: Chester County Economic Development Council  
Location: 737 Constitution Drive, Exton PA 19341  
Amount: \$5,601,658

Chester County Economic Development Council - I urge the subcommittee to provide funding for the construction of storm and wastewater infrastructure for the Uptown Worthington project. Uptown Worthington is on the site of the 100 acre Worthington Steel brownfield site. Once completed, the site will be transformed into a full service retail, office and residential community.

Recipient: Pike County Economic Development Authority  
Location: 209 East Hartford Street, Milford, PA 18337

Amount: \$1,000,000

Pike County Economic Development Authority - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the expansion of the wastewater treatment capability of Pike County. The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection requires these upgrades in order to comply with environmental health standards. Funding will be used to improve the current 250,000 gallon per-day wastewater treatment plant to 1.25 million gallon capacity.

Recipient: Hanover Township Sewage Authority  
Location: 116 Steubenville Pike, Paris, PA 15021  
Amount: \$3,445,000

Hanover Township Sewage Authority - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for Hanover Township's wastewater capital improvement project. Funding will be used to construct sewage conveyance and treatment facilities. The project is necessary to eliminate the discharge of untreated sewage into waterways during periods of heavy rain.

Recipient: City of Hermitage  
Location: 800 North Hermitage Road, Hermitage, PA 16148  
Amount: \$700,000

City of Hermitage - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the North Hermitage Road pump station project. Funding will be used for the construction of a sewage pump station and conveyance lines. The existing pump station is over 30 years old and has structural deficiencies. It is necessary to eliminate overflows of untreated sewage during periods of heavy rain.

Recipient: Redevelopment Authority of Beaver County  
Location: 810 Third Street, Beaver, PA 15009  
Amount: \$545,700

Redevelopment Authority of Beaver County - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the New Economy Business Park Water and Sewer Project. Funding will be used for environmental restoration of a brownfield site in the Ambridge, Pennsylvania, including installation of storm and wastewater infrastructure. Funding should be provided for this project because investing in these types of sites relieves pressure to develop open land protecting the environment.

Recipient: Borough of Charleroi  
Location: 3 McKean Avenue, P.O. Box 211, Charleroi, PA 15022  
Amount: \$500,000

Borough of Charleroi - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding to the Borough of Charleroi for water plant upgrades. Funding will be used to install a membrane filtration system. This project is necessary to ensuring access to safe drinking water for 35,000 people.

Recipient: Borough of Carlisle  
Location: 53 W. South Street, Carlisle, PA 17013  
Amount: \$1,000,000

Borough of Carlisle - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the Borough of Carlisle's wastewater treatment plant upgrades. Funding will be used to enhance the wastewater treatment process in order to comply with environmental cleanups necessary to restore the health of the Chesapeake Bay.

Recipient: Chester County Economic Development Council  
Location: 737 Constitution Drive, Exton, PA 19341  
Amount: \$3,997,903

Chester County Economic Development Council - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding to construct storm and wastewater infrastructure at the Bishop Tube brownfield site in East Whiteland Township, Chester County, PA. This project deserves funding because revitalization of this industrial site will foster economic development, and will take development pressure off of undeveloped green spaces.