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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Chair  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for Forest Protection for Pearl Harbor Aquifer Recovery Activities in Fiscal Year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Hawai'i State Department of Land and Natural Resources located at 1151 Punchbowl Street, Honolulu, HI 96813.

The funding would be used for the Hawai'i Department of Land and Natural Resources to protect fresh drinking water resources. The project will expand the acres of invasive plant control to target incipient populations of invasive plants that pose the greatest threat to the health of the native forest in the watersheds that empty into Pearl Harbor and recharge the Pearl Harbor Aquifer. The funding will also enable the construction of new ungulate-proof fencing to provide long-term protection of the forest by enclosing areas with the highest recharge rates.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

With aloha,



Ed Case  
Member of Congress