



CITY OF MORRO BAY

CITY HALL

595 Harbor Street
Morro Bay, CA 93442

February 28, 2024

The Honorable Alex Padilla
U.S. Senate
331 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: City of Morro Bay – North T-Pier Project
Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriations – Congressionally Directed Spending Request

Dear Senator Padilla:

I write in strong support of the City of Morro Bay's request for Congressionally Directed Spending in FY 2025 Appropriations legislation for the City's North T-Pier Safety Repair and Improvement Project. The North T-Pier serves the U.S. Coast Guard, commercial fishing, City Harbor Patrol, California Fish and Wildlife, and likely will support the major offshore wind project slated for waters nearby. Morro Bay Harbor's North T-Pier needs major safety improvements, repairs, and renovations to remain viable.

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While the \$1.5 million in prior appropriations funding will be available to help repair the above water structure, it will not be sufficient to update the electrical and fire safety issues or the remaining below water piers and pilings. The consulting engineer's assessment determined an additional \$7 million will be required to complete the project.

The City is requesting \$7,000,000 in CPF/CDS funding to complete funding of the full North T-Pier project.

I urge you to give all due consideration to our request, and we look forward to working with you as Congress proceeds with the annual federal budget process.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Laphonza Butler
U.S. Senate
112 Hart Senate Office Building
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The Honorable Salud Carbajal
Member of Congress
2331 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Re: City of Morro Bay – North T-Pier Project
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