

# United States Senate

May 15, 2009

The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye, Chairman  
The Honorable Thad Cochran, Ranking Member  
Senate Committee on Appropriations  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein, Chairman  
The Honorable Lamar Alexander, Ranking Member  
Appropriations Subcommittee on Interior, Environment,  
and Related Agencies  
Senate Committee on Appropriations  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairmen and Ranking Members:

I am requesting congressionally directed spending in fiscal year 2010 for the following projects to provide safe drinking water and wastewater systems, meet state and federal standards, protect our public lands, improve the environment, and to fulfill the Federal trust responsibility to our Nation's tribes and pueblos.

## **Department of Interior**

### ***Bureau of Land Management***

BLM New Mexico

\$1,340,000 Implementation of Galisteo Basin Archeological Sites Protection Act

BLM New Mexico

\$1,500,000 Land Acquisition of Lesser Prairie Chicken Area of Critical Environmental Concern

BLM New Mexico

\$3,000,000 Land Acquisition of La Cienega Area of Critical Environmental Concern

BLM New Mexico

\$750,000 Operational Funding for the Rio Puerco Watershed Management Committee

BLM New Mexico

\$6,000,000 Restoration of Public Lands through the Restore New Mexico Program

BLM New Mexico

\$4,240,000 Start-up Costs to Establish the Prehistoric Trackways National Monument

BLM – National

\$500,000 Continued Construction of Continental Divide National Scenic Trail

BLM – National

\$75,000,000 Programmatic Increase for the National Landscape Conservation System

***Fish and Wildlife Service***

Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge, Socorro County, NM

\$3,105,000 Restoration projects at Bosque Del Apache NWR

Bosque School, Albuquerque, NM

\$140,000 Operational Funding for Bosque Ecosystem Monitoring Program

Las Vegas NWR and Maxwell NWR, San Miguel/Colfax counties, NM

\$1,175,000 Construction Project at Northern New Mexico NWR Complex

Sevilleta National Wildlife Refuge, Socorro County, NM

\$2,000,000 Land Acquisition of Indian Hill Farm Phase I

Fish and Wildlife Service – National

\$217,000,000 Programmatic Funding Increase for the Endangered Species Program

Fish and Wildlife Service – National

\$514,000,000 Programmatic Increase for the National Wildlife Refuge System

Fish and Wildlife Service - National

\$15,000,000 Programmatic Increase for the Multinational Species Conservation Fund

Fish and Wildlife Service - National

\$52,674,000 Programmatic Increase for the North American Wetlands Conservation Fund

Fish and Wildlife Service - National

\$115,000,000 Programmatic Increase for State & Tribal Wildlife Grants

***National Park Service***

Acoma Pueblo, Acoma, NM

\$2,000,000 Save America's Treasures - Restoration of Historic Acoma Pueblo Sky City

Atomic Heritage Foundation, Los Alamos, NM

\$375,000 Save America's Treasures - Preservation of Manhattan Project Properties

Camino Real de Tierra Adentro National Historic Trail/ National Park Service

\$2,000,000 Cultural Preservation Initiative for the Camino Real de Tierra Adentro

NM State Parks

\$2,000,000 Construction of Rio Grande Trail Initiative

NM State Parks

\$1,000,000 Construction of Vietnam Veterans National Memorial State Park

Petroglyph National Monument, Bernalillo County, NM

\$3,500,000 Land Acquisition at the Petroglyph National Monument

Civil War Battlefields - Nationwide

\$10,000,000 Programmatic Increase for Civil War Battlefield Protection Grants

National Park Service - National

\$100,000 Continued Construction of Continental Divide National Scenic Trail

***U.S. Geological Survey***

San Miguel County, NM

\$400,000 Completion of San Miguel County Hydrologic Assessment

Village of Ruidoso, NM

\$520,000 Completion of Eagle Creek Hydrologic Assessment

U.S. Geological Survey – Otero County, NM

\$1,000,000 Assessment of the Salt Basin Aquifer beneath Otero Mesa

U.S. Geological Survey - National

\$2,000,000 US-Mexico Transboundary Aquifer Assessment

National Groundwater Association - Nationwide

\$1,000,000 Implementation of a National Ground-Water Monitoring Network Pilot Project

National Water Resources Research Institutes - Nationwide

\$8,800,000 Programmatic Increase for Water Resources Research Act Program

U.S. Geological Survey - National

\$5,000,000 Network Enhancements under the National Streamflow Information Program

***Bureau of Indian Affairs***

American Indian Graduate Center, Albuquerque, NM

\$2,837,611 To increase funding for Graduate Fellowships for American Indian and Alaska Native Students

American Indian Law Center, Albuquerque, NM

\$300,000 To fund the Pre-Law Summer Institute for American Indians and Alaska Natives

Inter-Tribal Bison Cooperative

\$4,100,000 Operational Funding for the Inter-Tribal Bison Cooperative

Multiple Tribes and Pueblos in New Mexico

\$150,000 Operational Funding for Southwest Tribal Fisheries Commission

Navajo Nation

\$15,000,000 Implementation of Navajo Indian Irrigation Project

Navajo Technical College, Crownpoint, NM

\$3,000,000 Operational Funding for the Navajo Technical College

Federally Recognized Tribes

\$205,000,000 Programmatic Increase for Indian Education Construction

Federally Recognized Tribes

\$19,000,000 Programmatic Increase for Housing Improvement Program

Federally Recognized Tribes

\$71,000,000 Programmatic Increase for Tribal Colleges and Universities

Students of Federally-Recognized Tribes

\$24,300,000 Programmatic Increase for Johnson O'Malley Program

**Environmental Protection Agency**

City of Aztec

\$2,000,000 Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

City of Aztec

\$1,375,000 Drinking water Storage Tank

City of Belen

\$778,250 Eagle Water Tank Replacement

Bernalillo County

\$7,000,000 Valley Utilities Water and Wastewater Project

Bernalillo County

\$3,000,000 Carnuel Water Supply and Wastewater Project

BECC

\$50,000,000 Border Environment Infrastructure Fund

City of Bloomfield  
\$2,500,000 Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades

City of Carlsbad  
\$1,210,000 Double Eagle Water System Improvements

City of Carlsbad  
\$825,000 Wastewater Effluent Reuse Program

City of Carlsbad  
\$495,000 Lake Carlsbad Erosion Control Project

City of Clovis  
\$4,400,000 Wastewater treatment Plant upgrades

Doña Ana County  
\$5,000,000 Arsenic Treatment Facility

Doña Ana County  
\$2,000,000 Chaparral Wastewater System Improvements

Doña Ana County  
\$1,500,000 Alto Flores Water System Improvements

Doña Ana County  
\$1,500,000 Brahman Dam & Outfall Channel Improvements

City of Española  
\$1,265,000 Compliance with Safe Drinking Water Act requirements

City of Eunice  
\$1,500,000 Wastewater treatment Plant, Improvements

City of Farmington  
\$533,250 Zone 2P waterline project

City of Hobbs  
\$5,830,000 Sewer Line Replacement

Hollywood Ranch DWUA  
\$1,700,000 Water Project

Town of Hurley  
\$6,900,000 New Drinking Water System

Isleta Pueblo

\$1,760,000 Water Line Replacement

City of Jal

\$400,000 Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

City of Las Cruces

\$3,000,000 West Mesa Water Transmission Project

Village of Logan

\$3,261,500 Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

City of Lordsburg

\$1,200,000 Water and Wastewater Improvements

Village of Los Lunas

\$1,433,000 Eastern Water Loop and River Crossing

City of Lovington

\$800,000 City water wells

McKinley County

\$500,000 Small system water and wastewater

McKinley County

\$2,200,000 Northwest NM regional solid waste cell construction

New Mexico State University

\$5,000,000 Southwest Center for Environmental Research and Policy (SCERP)

City of Portales

\$7,190,000 Wastewater treatment Plant Improvements

Village of Questa

\$2,676,173 Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements

Town of Red River

\$2,000,000 Solid waste transfer station construction

Town of Red River

\$300,000 Red River Stream Restoration

Village of Ruidoso

\$10,000,000 Wastewater treatment Plant Improvements

Pueblo of San Felipe  
\$2,000,000 Wastewater system connections

San Juan County  
\$2,200,000 Wastewater Improvements for Flora Vista

San Miguel County  
\$830,000 Solid waste transfer station

City of Santa Rosa  
\$8,800,000 Wastewater treatment facility

Santo Domingo Pueblo  
\$800,000 Water Main Completion

City of Sunland Park  
\$5,000,000 Wastewater treatment facility

Town of Tatum  
\$275,000 Lift Station and Sewer line extension

Village of Tijeras  
\$1,375,000 Community Water System

Taos County  
\$200,000 Solid Waste Operation Site

**USDA Forest Service**

Cibola National Forest  
\$235,000 Construction and Improvement of Zuni Mountain Trail System

Gila National Forest  
\$3,000,000 Land Acquisition of Bear Creek Ranch

New Mexico Division of Forestry  
\$1,650,000 Forest Legacy Conservation Easement for Vallecitos High Country Ranch Phase II

NM Highlands University, Las Vegas NM  
\$550,000 Operational Funding for the Southwest Ecological Restoration Institute

Valles Caldera National Preserve, Jemez, NM  
\$3,750,000 Operational Funding for the Valles Caldera National Preserve

Forest Service Region 3

\$5,000,000 To continue funding for the Community Forest Restoration Act Program

Public Land Corps – Nationwide

\$12,000,000 Programmatic Increase for Youth Conservation Corp/Public Land Corp

Forest Service - National

\$40,000,000 Programmatic funding to implement Forest Landscape Restoration Act

Forest Service - National

\$2,100,000 Continued Construction of Continental Divide National Scenic Trail

**Indian Health Service**

McKinley County, NM

\$750,000 Planning and design for the replacement of obsolete IHS Gallup Indian Medical Center in Gallup, NM.

**Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development**

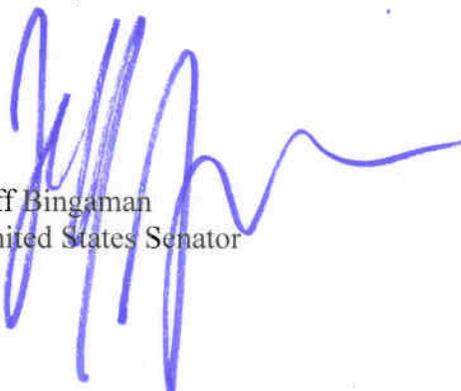
Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development, Santa Fe, NM

\$8,300,000 Operational Funding for the Institute

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending items that I have requested, consistent with the requirement of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate. I further certify that I have posted a description of the items requested on my official website, along with the accompanying justification.

Thank you and your fine staff for your time and consideration of these important requests to the citizens of New Mexico.

Sincerely,



Jeff Bingaman  
United States Senator