Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting $1.4 million in funding for the San Marcos Road Stabilization Project located in the unincorporated area between the City of Santa Barbara and the City of Goleta in the 2nd Supervisorial District of the County of Santa Barbara (Latitude: 34°27'48.54"N Longitude: 119°47'52.60"W).

The funding would be used to stabilize approximately 975 feet of failing roadway, shoulder width, and supporting soil embankment. San Marcos Road is a very old roadway, originally created for stagecoach travel, and later widened to accommodate modern vehicle use. It is a well-used local access road that serves residential and commercial needs, as well as is used as an alternative and important transportation route between State Highway 154 and Cathedral Oaks Road and State Route 192. The road is an important route for emergency vehicles and State Department Transportation vehicles to maintain and clear (slide) debris from State Highway 154. During storm events, this road acts as a primary access route for maintenance and construction vehicles accessing landslide areas. San Marcos Road is also a key fire suppression and maintenance access way as it is situated in a very high fire threat area. The roadway was graded using cut and side-cast fill to create the existing roadway width.

Sincerely,

Salud Carbajal
Member of Congress