



**Congress of the United States**  
Washington, DC

March 26, 2026

The Honorable Chairman Cole  
Chairman, House Committee on  
Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Ranking Member DeLauro  
Ranking Member, House Committee on  
Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Wrangell Deepwater Port Development project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City & Borough of Wrangell, located at P.O. Box 531, 205 Brueger Street Wrangell, AK 99929.

The funding would be used to advance development of the Wrangell Deepwater Port, located approximately six miles south of downtown Wrangell at the former Alaska Pulp Corporation mill site. The project will transform the vacant industrial property into a fully developed waterfront industrial subdivision capable of supporting marine transportation, freight handling, vessel servicing, and maritime industrial activity.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because funding will support the development of essential infrastructure, including access roads, industrial parcels, bulkhead replacement, stormwater systems, and site preparation needed to make the property ready for private industrial tenants. These improvements will enable new marine industrial investment and create long-term economic opportunities for the community.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 46 USC 54301. I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Nicholas J. Begich III".

Nicholas J. Begich III  
Congressman for All Alaska

