



April 29, 2024

Congressman Ken Calvert  
California's 41<sup>st</sup> Congressional District  
400 S. Vicentia Avenue, Suite 125  
Corona, CA 92882

**RE: Community Project Fund Request Fiscal Year 2025**

Dear Congressman,

The City of Indian Wells (the City) is requesting Fiscal Year 2025 appropriations for the Whitewater Channel Lining Project (the Project). The Project will reestablish the integrity of the Whitewater River Stormwater Channel (WWRSC) to provide improved stormwater and flood risk management and climate change resilience to protect land and life.

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As the recent impacts of climate and its adverse effects to the severity, occurrence, and volume of storms are realized throughout the State and nation, it is imperative that the City has sufficient infrastructure to properly handle stormwater. Therefore, the City is prioritizing projects, including the proposed Project, that offer innovative solutions to support stormwater and flood risk management.

The proposed Project will support the goals of the City's Capital Improvement by rehabilitation critical storm infrastructure that stores and diverts stormwater for efficiency use and to protect land and life from floods.

**We strongly support the City's proposed Whitewater Channel Lining Project** and ask that Congress recognize the benefits it will offer to the community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gregory W. Sanders".

Gregory W. Sanders  
Mayor  
City of Indian Wells

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The proposed Project will support the goals of the City's Capital Improvement by rehabilitating critical storm infrastructure that stores and diverts stormwater for efficiency use and to protect land and life from floods in the Coachella Valley.

The City of La Quinta strongly supports the City's proposed Whitewater Channel Lining Project and asks that Congress recognize the benefits it will offer to the entire Desert community.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



Linda Evans, Mayor

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## **RE: Community Project Fund Request Fiscal Year 2025-Support**

Dear Congressman Calvert:

As the Assemblymember for the 47<sup>th</sup> Assembly District, I am writing in support of The City of Indian Wells' (the City) request for Fiscal Year 2025 appropriations for the Whitewater Channel Lining Project (the Project). The Project aims to reestablish the integrity of the Whitewater River Stormwater Channel (WWRSC) in order to provide improved stormwater and flood risk management, as well as enhanced climate change resilience, to protect both land and life.

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I strongly support the City's proposed Whitewater Channel Lining Project and I respectfully ask that Congress recognize the benefits it will offer to the community.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office at Assemblymember.Wallis@assembly.ca.gov or at (760) 346-6342.

Sincerely,

GREG WALLIS

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Greg Wallis', with a stylized, flowing script.

Assemblymember, 47th District



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Karina Quintanilla  
Mayor  
City of Palm Desert