



U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

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Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro,

I am requesting funding for the Biscayne Bay Protection and Restoration Project in fiscal year 2025. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Fish & Wildlife Foundation of Florida located in Biscayne Bay.


The funding would be to restore vital seagrass meadows within Biscayne Bay by repairing propeller scars and blowouts. The project will also provide educational signage that will be installed at marinas to help prevent additional scaring, as well as research and monitoring to document and ensure project success.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because seagrass is critical to the health of an aquatic ecosystem that provides a habitat for marine life.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by authorized by Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. § 1451 et seq.).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

  
Maria Salazar  
Member of Congress