

The Honorable Sarah McBride
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Washington, D.C. 20515

House Foreign Affairs Committee
Subcommittee on Europe
Subcommittee on Oversight
& Intelligence
House Space, Science, and
Technology Committee
Subcommittee on Research and
Technology

March 18, 2026

The Honorable Tom Cole
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations

Dear Chairman Cole and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$30,000,000 for the Delaware Coastal System Program project in Fiscal Year 2027. The entity to receive the funding for this project is U.S. Army Corps of Engineers located at 1650 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19203.

The funding would be used to dredge and place sand on Rehoboth Beach, Dewey Beach, Bethany Beach, and South Bethany Beach to restore the beaches and dunes to their full design template, strengthen storm protection, and minimize disruption to Delaware's tourism economy during construction.

This project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because beach nourishment provides direct and measurable public benefits, including erosion control, flood protection, habitat support, and preservation of the recreational shoreline that underpins Delaware's coastal economy.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 1336 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2024 (Public Law 118-272).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'S. McBride', written in a cursive style.

Sarah McBride
Member of Congress