

(\$1,000,000).

7. DANIEL E. LUNGREN, H.R. 1105, Energy & Water, Calaveras—Cosgrove Creek Flood Control Project. This project will target one of the most flood-prone areas of Calaveras County, and is needed to protect lives and property in the communities of Valley Springs, La Contenta, and Rancho Calaveras.

Grantee Legal Name: County of Calaveras.
Grantee Address: 891 Mountain Ranch Road, San Andreas, CA 95249.

Federal Nexus of Project: Army Corps of Engineers. Cosgrove Creek is a tributary to the Calaveras River, a navigable water. Calaveras County is designated by FEMA as eligible for Federal assistance for severe storms and flooding.

Priority U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Project Under Section 205: Emergency Streambank and Shoreline Protection.

8. DANIEL E. LUNGREN, H.R. 1105, Energy & Water, American River Common Features: The funding would be used for design and construction of the remaining improvements identified in WRDA 96 and WRDA 99 which includes levee widening near Jacobs Lane, levee raising between Howe Avenue and Watt Avenue, levee strengthening near the confluence of the Natomas East Main Drainage Canal/American River, addressing seepage around utilities, and for continued work on the American River Common Features General Re-evaluation Report.

Grantee Legal Name: Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency.

Grantee Address: 1007 7th St., 7th Floor, Sacramento, CA 98514.

Local Contact Name/Title/Phone: Stein Buer, Executive Director, 916-874-7606.

Federal Nexus of Project: Authorization—Section 101(a) WRDA 1996 (P.L. 104-303), as modified by Section 366 of WRDA 1999 (P.L. 106-53), as further modified by Section 129 of P.L. 108-137, the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Bill of 2004.

(\$13,000,000).

9. DANIEL E. LUNGREN, H.R. 1105, Energy & Water, South Sacramento Streams Group: The funding would be used to extend the project upstream along Elder Creek, Unionhouse Creek and construct levee improvements to 3300-feet of railroad embankment protecting several hundred homes. In addition, design efforts will continue so that construction can occur in 2010 further reducing flood risk to residences along the various streams.

Grantee Legal Name: Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency.

Grantee Address: 1007 7th St., 7th Floor, Sacramento, CA 98514.

Local Contact Name/Title/Phone: Stein Buer, Executive Director, 916-874-7606.

Federal Nexus of Project: Authorization—Section 101(a)(8) WRDA 1999, P.L. 106-53. (\$12,000,000).

10. DANIEL E. LUNGREN, H.R. 1105, Energy & Water, Sacramento River Bank Protection Project: The funding would be used to allow 5,000-7,000 feet of bank to be protected along the Sacramento River reducing flood risk to the area. Unless continued corrective measures are taken, levee failures may occur with resultant catastrophic damage and possible loss of many lives.

Grantee Legal Name: Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency.

Grantee Address: 1007 7th St., 7th Floor, Sacramento, CA 98514.

Local Contact Name/Title/Phone: Stein Buer, Executive Director, 916-874-7606.

Federal Nexus of Project: Authorization—Flood Control Act of 1960 (P.L. 86-645), The River Basin Monetary Authorization Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-251), and Joint Resolution of Congress in 1983 (P.L. 97-377).

(\$22,967,000).

11. DANIEL E. LUNGREN, H.R. 1105, Interior & Environment, City of Galt Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Upgrade: The City of Galt is required to upgrade treatment levels (no expansion of capacity) for five constituents and to meet new limits for an additional 14 constituents to comply with the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit for the WWTP. The existing WWTP was not designed to meet most of the new standards, and therefore must be upgraded. The City must comply with the new requirements in the NPDES permit by May 2010 or face significant monthly fines.

Grantee Legal Name: City of Galt.

Grantee Address: 495 Industrial Drive Galt, CA 95632.

Local Contact Name/Title/Phone: Gregg L. Halladay, P.E./Director of Public Works / (209) 366-7260.

Federal Nexus of Project: The City of Galt is being forced to upgrade their existing wastewater treatment facility as a result of increased Federal water quality mandates. Therefore, the City is requesting Federal funds to help offset the high costs of design and construction of the improvements required to upgrade the existing wastewater treatment facility to comply with these Federal water quality mandates.

(\$275,000).

12. DANIEL E. LUNGREN, H.R. 1105, Transportation & HUD, Amador County State Route 88 Pine Grove Corridor Improvement Project: The purpose of this project is to construct highway widening or a bypass through or around the community of Pine Grove. State Route 88 is the major corridor providing access through Amador County to the Eldorado National Forest, Mokelumne Wilderness areas and the Toiyabe National Forest.

Grantee Legal Name: Amador County Transportation Commission.

Grantee Address: 11400 American Legion Drive, Jackson, CA 95642.

Local Contact Name/Title/Phone: Charles Field, Executive Director (209) 267-2282.

Federal Nexus of Project: Funding under the Public Lands Highways Program is available "for transportation planning, research, engineering, and construction of the highways . . . within, adjacent to, or provides access to" Federal lands or facilities." State Route 88 is the major corridor providing access through Amador County to the Eldorado National Forest, Mokelumne Wilderness areas and the Toiyabe National Forest. In addition, an increasing amount of traffic is accessing Kirkwood Ski Resort, which operates in conjunction with the USFS.

(\$180,500).

13. DANIEL E. LUNGREN, H.R. 1105, Transportation & HUD, Citrus Heights—Infrastructure Reinvestment for Federal ADA Compliance: Disability access is limited in several identified locations throughout the City, and the City has been and continues to be the subject of lawsuits from advocates in the disability rights community. This funding will cover the cost of new ADA-compliant infrastructure.

Grantee Legal Name: City of Citrus Heights.
Grantee Address: 6237 Fountain Square Drive, Citrus Heights, CA 95621.

Federal Nexus of Project: Federal ADA Compliance. (\$142,500).

14. DANIEL E. LUNGREN, H.R. 1105, Transportation & HUD, Rancho Cordova—International Drive Extension/Folsom South Canal Bridge: The International Drive Extension and Folsom South Canal Bridge project will construct a new six-lane extension of International Drive from Kilgore Road to Sunrise Boulevard. The waterway creates a barrier that cuts the City in half from north to south.

Grantee Legal Name: City of Rancho Cordova.

Grantee Address: 2729 Prospect Park Drive; Rancho Cordova, CA 95670.

Federal Nexus of Project: There is a strong federal nexus for this appropriations request. A major obstacle for the road extension is the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation's Folsom South Canal. The waterway creates a barrier that cuts the City in half from north to south. Federal funds are requested as mitigation to this federally-owned obstruction that restricts access to job centers, education, shopping, and public transit. This project will allow all members of the community—regardless of what portion of Rancho Cordova they live in—the opportunity to cross the Folsom South Canal barrier at International Drive and gain access to opportunities on both sides of the canal.

(\$237,500).¹

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. KEVIN BRADY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 24, 2009

Mr. BRADY of Texas. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information for publication in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 1105—Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009.

Requesting Member: Congressman KEVIN BRADY, Texas 8th Congressional District
Bill Number: H.R. 1105—Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009

Project: Sam Rayburn Lake Twin Dikes Operations & Maintenance

Account: U.S. Corps of Engineers, Operations and Maintenance

Requesting Entity: U.S. Corps of Engineers, Ft. Worth District

Address of Requesting Entity: 819 Taylor Street, Fort Worth, TX 76102

This is the second year I've requested funding to repair the Twin Dikes Park marine launching complex since its collapse due to Hurricane Rita, erosion, and excessive wave action. Unfortunately, the Corps has a backlog of maintenance on some of the most widely used recreational facilities at Lake Sam Rayburn. In addition to this project, I continue to support the U.S. Corps of Engineers annual request for funding to operate and maintain the lakes, and other water resources of East and Southeast Texas.

The \$6,138,000 included in this bill for this project will be allocated to perform annual operations and maintenance of the Sam Rayburn

Reservoir (\$5,775,000) and to begin rehabilitation of the marine launching complex at Twin Dikes Park (\$363,000).

Requesting Member: Congressman KEVIN BRADY, Texas 8th Congressional District

Bill Number: H.R. 1105—Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009

Project: Pulmonary Hypertension Awareness Program

Account: Department of Health and Human Services, Center for Disease Control and Prevention

Requesting Entity: Pulmonary Hypertension Association

Address of Requesting Entity: 801 Roeder Rd., Suite 400, Silver Spring, MD 20910

I have supported strengthening Pulmonary Hypertension education for over ten years; and for this reason and for the second year in a row, I have requested funding to strengthen and continue a successful partnership between the non-profit Hypertension Association and the Centers for Disease Control. PH is a serious and often fatal condition where the blood pressure in the lungs rises to dangerously high levels. In PH patients the walls of the arteries that take blood from the right side of the heart to the lungs thicken and constrict. As a result, the right side of the heart has to pump harder to move blood into the lungs, causing it to enlarge and ultimately fail.

This request would allow the partners to continue to develop a pulmonary hypertension awareness program to better educate the medical community and the public about the disease, and lead to earlier diagnosis and longer life spans.

The \$238,000 included in this bill for this project will be allocated to continue two components in the fight against pulmonary hypertension: the PHA Online University, a curriculum-based website for medical professionals, and a significant expansion of PHAware, a grassroots media campaign. Together these activities will enhance general public and medical professional awareness of pulmonary hypertension and lead to earlier diagnosis and appropriate treatment of individuals who have the disease.

Requesting Member: Congressman KEVIN BRADY, Texas 8th Congressional District

Bill Number: H.R. 1105—Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009

Project: SHSU Regional Crime Lab

Account: Office of Justice Programs, Byrne Discretionary Grants

Requesting Entity: Sam Houston State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 1803 Avenue I, Huntsville, TX 77341

Established last year with my support, fiscal year 2009 funding for the Regional Crime Lab at Sam Houston State University will allow it to become operational. Law enforcement agencies in rural communities experience long waits and backlogs when requesting services from major cities like Houston. This request allows Sam Houston State University—one of the nation's foremost criminal justice universities—to use its expertise in forensic science to begin operations of the Rural Crime Laboratory started with funding I secured last year. This lab will provide services to local law enforcement such as identification of controlled substances, toxicology screening and finger print matching. The lab will be able to service communities in a 75-mile wide area.

The \$800,000 included in this bill for this project will be allocated to staff the SHSU Re-

gional Crime Lab and make it operational for serving regional law enforcement agencies. Specific budget items include: salaries and benefits for laboratory staff (\$547,800); lab supplies (\$11,558); subcontracts for staff training (\$27,000) and indirect cost amounting to \$213,642.

Requesting Member: Congressman KEVIN BRADY, Texas 8th Congressional District

Bill Number: H.R. 1105—Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009

Project: I-69 Improvements

Account: Surface Transportation Priorities, Interstate 69, Texas

Requesting Entity: I-69 Texas Alliance

Address of Requesting Entity: 1200 Smith, Suite 700, Houston, TX 77002

This requested funding will allow for additional required environmental studies needed to upgrade several US highways in the region. This request—is not part of the now dead Trans Texas Corridor—provides funding for the continuation of the long-planned project involving segments of US 59, 77 and 281. Since 1991, efforts have been made to improve these routes to Interstate standards to meet the higher demand of increased traffic. These highway segments have been identified by Congress as a high priority; by upgrading the existing highways to Interstate standards we will increase motorist safety and regional mobility in the increasingly busy Houston and East Texas region.

The \$617,500 included in this bill will go to the Texas Department of Transportation to continue planning, design, and development of segments of US Highway 59 to Interstate standards.

Requesting Member: Congressman KEVIN BRADY, Texas 8th Congressional District

Bill Number: H.R. 1105—Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009

Project: Big Thicket Land Acquisition

Account: National Park Service, Land Acquisition

Requesting Entity: The Conservation Fund, Texas Office

Address of Requesting Entity: 101 West 6th Street, Suite 601, Austin, TX 78701

The Big Thicket National Preserve is one of America's ecological treasures. It is an unusually shaped preserve whose boundaries include land once owned by major timber companies. When funded in full, this represents the final year in a seven year land acquisition program. This request enables the National Park Service to acquire critical land within the congressionally authorized boundary of the Big Thicket National Preserve to diversify the economic potential of southeast Texas through increased tourism opportunities. This project works only with voluntary, "willing-seller" landowners.

The \$1,000,000 included in this bill for this project will allow the National Park Service to buy approximately 500 acres of land on eight tracts currently held by the Conservation Fund acquired from willing sellers or by voluntary donation.

THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
QUARTER FEATURING THE LIKENESS OF DUKE ELLINGTON

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 24, 2009

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I rise to ask the House to join me in commemorating yet another honor for Edward Kennedy Duke Ellington, born 1899, in the District of Columbia, who has left us musical gifts that are so timeless they have proved perpetually modern. The new honor for Duke Ellington that we celebrate is his likeness at his piano that appears on the new District of Columbia circulating quarter formally introduced today and placed in a map with other coins that represent our union. Duke Ellington is only the second African American to appear on a circulating coin.

For the residents of the District of Columbia, this honor for Duke Ellington is special indeed. His values, his study of music, and his musical genius were shaped from the beginning of his life in the Shaw community and in the D.C. public schools until, as a grown man, he pursued his star-studded musical career and became one of the world's most celebrated band leaders and composers. D.C. residents themselves selected Duke Ellington, and many witnessed him help establish the entertainment corridor on U Street as a major venue for African-American entertainers when the District of Columbia was a segregated city that did not permit Black people to attend or to perform elsewhere in the nation's capital. Ellington was my personal favorite for the D.C. quarter not only because he was a native son, but also because for many years, we in the city have been trying to correct the notion that D.C. is only a "government town," making it clear that we have been a hometown since 1801. The District has become a city with some of the best theater, entertainment and sports in the country, and now features an annual week-long Duke Ellington Jazz, Festival, fast becoming one of the best known in the country. The truth is that Ellington is as representative of his home town as George Washington is of official Washington. The Duke sends the message that hometown, homegrown residents are making and have always made important contributions to our country and to the world.

To celebrate the Duke's coin, we kicked off Duke Ellington Week today with a celebration of D.C.'s new quarter at the Smithsonian National Museum of American History, where the African American Museum is temporarily housed and has mounted the Scurlock Exhibition of photographs of Black Washingtonians, including Ellington. The celebration featured a presentation of the quarter by U.S. Mint Director Edmund Moy, and the placement in the coin map.

Ellington week activities will continue Wednesday, Feb. 25, at THEARC, with a "Celebration of Black History Month, the Arts, and the Duke Ellington Commemorative Quarter," featuring Edward and April Ellington, Duke Ellington's son and daughter, the Ellington School of the Arts School jazz band, and the Washington Ballet, and later on Wednesday, a concert, "Sophisticated Lady: An Evening with Denyce Graves," at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts to raise funds