

The funding would be used to repair Selden Lock miter gates and Holt spillway and Holt lock valves. Funds would also be used to construct an upland disposal site at Buena Vista. Provide \$24,180,000 in funding for Operations and Maintenance for the Mobile District of the COE for the Black Warrior and Tombigbee Rivers. Currently there are 20–25 million tons transported on this river each year, mostly coal and petroleum products, and serious repairs are needed. The Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway and Coosa-Alabama River systems depend on the efficiency of the Black Warrior-Tombigbee. This project will provide necessary infrastructure maintenance and repairs to the 50+ year old lock and dam system. The entire budget for the project will go towards maintenance and repairs. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Corps of Engineers, O&M Account. Taxpayer Justification: Each year approximately 20–25 million tons of goods move through this waterway, mostly coal and petroleum products. The Black Warrior and Tombigbee Rivers system is vital for the Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway and the Coosa Alabama River system, and this funding promotes the functioning of this vital waterway.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JACK KINGSTON

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. KINGSTON. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding H.R. 3170, the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act of 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman JACK KINGSTON

Bill: H.R. 3170

Account: Small Business Administration
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Alma

Address of Requesting Entity: 884 Radio Station Rd., Alma, GA 31510

Description of Request: Funding in the amount of \$500,000 for business and infrastructure development to entice small businesses to the area and encourage growth in the community.

THE COMMUNITY GARDENS ACT
OF 2009**HON. JAY INSLEE**

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. INSLEE. Madam Speaker, today Congresswoman NORTON and I introduced the Community Gardens Act of 2009, along with Representatives MATSUI, BLUMENAUER, MORAN, CONYERS, Jr., BORDALLO, CHRISTENSEN, DENNIS MOORE, ENGEL, KAPTUR, MALONEY, MCGOVERN, CARSON, GRIJALVA, BARBARA LEE, DONNA EDWARDS, WOOLSEY and CLEAVER II. We thank them for their support.

Localities across America are already demonstrating an eagerness to harvest fresh fruits and vegetables in community gardens. Ac-

ording to a national study, 1 million households participated in community gardens in 2008, and an estimated 5 million households are very interested in starting a garden plot near their home. Washington state is home to many opportunities by which individuals may participate in a community garden atmosphere. For example, the City of Seattle's Department of Neighborhoods currently maintains 1,900 plots, which serve more than 3,800 urban gardeners on 23 acres of land. This successful program is expanding as interest in gardening grows. With this legislation we can help programs like the one in Seattle, Washington, as well as at 21 Acres in Woodinville, Washington, to expand opportunities for all American households to share in the numerous benefits of local gardening.

The Community Gardens Act of 2009 will establish a grant program specifically geared to help local organizations create community gardens in their areas. Groups eligible to apply for funds include community-development organizations, schools, and state and local governments, among others. By encouraging these groups to construct gardens in their communities, the legislation will promote nutrition, environmental awareness, and neighborhood development.

Existing community gardens illustrate the many benefits of creating such a grant program. These gardens are already helping to beautify neighborhoods by transforming vacant lots and paved areas into "green" spaces. They are reducing the impact of nutrient and sediment pollution on local wildlife habitats, forest lands and water quality. They are also teaching our kids about the importance of nutrition and exercise by participating in harvesting healthy food and creating an excellent opportunity for outdoor recreation.

Congresswoman NORTON and I are proud to introduce the Community Gardens Act of 2009 and we look forward to working in Congress to ensure that healthy food and healthy lifestyles are available to all communities across the nation.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ANDER CRENSHAW

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. CRENSHAW. Madam Speaker, I rise today to submit documentation consistent with the Republican Earmark Standards.

Requesting Member: Congressman ANDER CRENSHAW

Bill Number: H.R. 3170—Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Salaries & Expenses
Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Operation New Hope, Inc.

Address of Receiving Entity: 1830 North Main Street, Jacksonville FL 32206

Description of Request: I have secured \$790,000 in funding in H.R. 3170, in the Salaries & Expenses Account for a prison re-entry job training program that works with small business owners.

The purpose of this program is to successfully re-integrate ex-offenders by work training and job coaching and matching up successful participants with local small businesses that meet their hiring and staffing needs.

This project is eligible for federal funding under the Small Business Administration.

Operation New Hope, Inc. will contribute \$2,000,000 in non-Federal matching funds.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. MICHAEL N. CASTLE

OF DELAWARE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. CASTLE. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding funding for Delaware included as part of FY 2010 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, H.R. 3183:

Name of Project: Delaware Bay Coastline, Roosevelt Inlet to Lewes Beach, DE

Requesting Member: MICHAEL N. CASTLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: ACOE—Construction

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: The Wanamaker Building, 100 Penn Square East, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Description of Request: \$350,000 for periodic renourishment of Roosevelt Inlet/Lewes Beach area located in Sussex County, Delaware. The purpose of the project is to reduce flood and coastal storm damage and for navigation mitigation.

Name of Project: Intracoastal Waterway, Delaware River to Chesapeake Bay, DE & MD

Requesting Member: MICHAEL N. CASTLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: ACOE—O&M

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: The Wanamaker Building, 100 Penn Square East, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Description of Request: \$28,390,000, which is the President's requested funding level for the continued annual operations and maintenance of this Intracoastal Waterway.

Name of Project: Wilmington Harbor, Delaware

Requesting Member: MICHAEL N. CASTLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: ACOE—O&M

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: The Wanamaker Building, 100 Penn Square East, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Description of Request: \$320,000 for aggressive management and capacity restoration of federal disposal areas and chemical and sediment testing within those areas. The purpose of this project is to increase capacity and manage disposal areas for Wilmington Harbor.

Name of Project: Delaware Coast Protection, DE

Requesting Member: MICHAEL N. CASTLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: ACOE—Construction

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: The Wanamaker Building, 100 Penn Square East, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Description of Request: \$390,000 to reimburse the State of Delaware for the Federal share of the annual operation and maintenance costs of the sand bypass plant and new