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April 4, 2023

The Honorable Jeff Merkley  
Chair  
Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and  
Related Agencies  
U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations  
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The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
Ranking Member  
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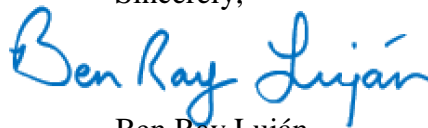
Dear Chair Merkley and Ranking Member Murkowski:

As you consider the Fiscal Year 2024 (FY24) Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, I respectfully request that you consider the attached requests for Congressionally Directed Spending and programmatic funding for federal agencies. These requests will support programs that are critical to the people of New Mexico.

None of the entities for which I have requested congressionally directed spending are for-profit entities. Further, I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending items that I have requested in the Fiscal Year 2024 Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriation Act, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Thank you for your consideration of these requests.

Sincerely,



Ben Ray Luján  
United States Senator