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Subject: FY2025 Congressionally Directed Spending Application Details

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Augusta, GA has been successful with recent congressionally directed spending (CDS) applications, receiving funding that totals more than \$12M for FY22 and FY23. Although the federal government has not finalized FY24 appropriations, nor awarded FY24 applications, it is essential that we remain proactive in the pursuit of FY25 CDS funding. To this end, the four water/infrastructure projects previously submitted for FY24, yet not funded, will be submitted for FY25 as we have received positive feedback from both Senators. The four projects listed below along with a brief project description are recommended for approval for the upcoming FY25 application period. All needed letters of support will be included for added viability.

### Engineering

1. **Forest Hills (Rae's Creek) Basin #10 Storm and Sanitary Sewer District 3, Super District 10 \$3,653.000**
  - **Project Need and Purpose:** The age and condition of existing pipe systems increases the occurrence of dangerous flooding during intense storm events. Contributing factors include undersized drainage system capacity, inadequate or non-existent collection points.
  - **Notes:** This project was submitted for consideration FY23. Although not funded, a need still exists.

**2. Rocky Creek (Wilkinson Gardens) Drainage Basin Improvements**  
**District 2, Super District 9 \$5,472,820**

- **Project Need and Purpose:** Area drainage is severely compromised due to no defined stormwater conveyance system. This increases safety risks as runoff encroaches on residential dwellings. Improvements would minimize water quality impact to the Rocky Creek area. Augusta

Engineering Department (AED) completed the project area drainage study and identified needed improvements.

- **Notes:** This project is an extension of and will complement other Rocky Creek Drainage Improvements throughout the area. Funding for this effort will support improvement for Augusta Utilities also.

**Water and Sewer Utilities**

**1. Country Place Sewer Project \$4,500,000**  
**District 8, Super District 10**

- **Project Need and Purpose:** The Country Place subdivision is another area that is still served by septic tanks. A sewer trunk is accessible to the south of the neighborhood, however the costs to construct the sewer are \$4.5 million. This project would improve water quality in the Spirit Creek receiving body.

**2. Doug Barnard Parkway Water Improvements \$4,500,000**  
**District 1, Super District 9**

- **Project Need and Purpose:** This is a potable water interconnect between the southern and northern systems. The northern system currently provides water to the main industrial and medical corridors. This interconnect was planned 20 years ago but was stopped by a potentially polluted site. Newer pipe technology along with an alternate route will eliminate the risk from the site. This will allow a true backup of the potable water system to critical areas of commerce, health, and population.