



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Sean P. Duffy
United States Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Secretary Duffy,

I support Morgan City Harbor and Terminal District's application to the FY 2025 US Marine Highways Program (USMHP) funding proposal titled, "*Procuring Cargo Transloading Equipment – Phase 4B.*"

The Port of Morgan City is requesting funding for a new rough terrain crane, a compact track loader, and necessary attachments. The Port will contribute a local cost-share of nearly \$200,000. The procurement of new crane equipment will improve the Port's loading operations, reducing vessel turnaround times and increasing efficiency. These improvements will also ensure the Port can accommodate a wider variety of ships. By investing in modern infrastructure, the Port can help facilitate and expand economic activity in the surrounding community for the decades to come.

I request that you give the Morgan City Harbor and Terminal District's application your full and fair consideration. Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to working with you on future infrastructure development efforts.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Clay Higgins".

Clay Higgins
Member of Congress