

4/13/2022

The Honorable David Rouzer United States House of Representatives 2333 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Rouzer:

On behalf of the Town of Holden Beach, North Carolina, I write to express strong support for the Town's FY 2023 Community Project Funding request for the Ocean Boulevard Stormwater Mitigation Project through the Environmental Infrastructure program.

The Town has experienced flooding along Ocean Boulevard, the main roadway and primary evacuation route in Holden Beach, for many years. Normal rain events impede traffic, and the Town is expecting this to become even more burdensome when the boulevard is repaved and bike lanes are added. The funding will support the design and construction of stormwater mitigation infrastructure along Ocean Boulevard to address existing and anticipated stormwater flooding.

The Town of Holden Beach is willing and able to meet all non-federal requirements and obligations, including the 25 percent non-federal cost-share.

Thank you for your consideration of our request. Please feel free to contact Town Manager David Hewett with any additional details needed on the project, 910-842-6488.

Sincerely,

J. Alan Holden

Mayor, Town of Holden Beach