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The Honorable Ken Calvert
Chairman
Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
B308 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This letter is in response to the reprogramming requirement in the explanatory statement of the Division F - Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2015, Reprogramming Guidelines, Quarterly Reports.

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2. Project savings from FY 2011 Capital Improvement and Maintenance funds in the amount of \$189,000 were reprogrammed from the Ely Air Tanker Base. The FY 2014 Chippewa Supervisor's Office heating, ventilation, and air conditioning system replacement project received \$75,000, which will be used to offset costs for this project. The actual costs exceeded estimates because of additional restrictions and coordination requirements due to the historic character of the building. The Baldwin/White Cloud Ranger District Phase 2 project received \$114,000, which will be used to oversee construction and essential site work, including restoration of disturbed areas, construction of drainage control, and other site features.

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Sincerely,

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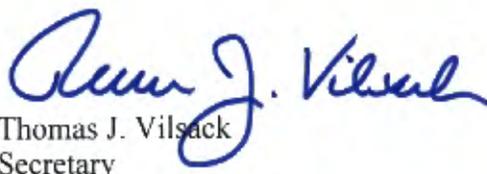
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