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Subcommittee: Energy and Water Development				
Proposed Recipient	Full Address of Proposed Recipient	Name of Project (submissions are listed alphabetically by project name)	Amount Requested	Explanation of Request including purpose and why it is a valuable use of taxpayer funds.
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District	701 San Marco Boulevard Jacksonville, FL 32207-8175	BIG FISHWEIR CREEK, FL	\$ 1,000,000	This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will re-establish healthy aquatic habitat in the creek, providing for nursery areas, a source of food and shelter, native vegetation re-growth, and overall improved water quality.
City of Tallahassee, Florida	300 S. Adams Street Tallahassee, FL 32301	City of Tallahassee Innovative Energy Initiatives	\$ 500,000	This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will be used to continue the City of Tallahassee's efforts to improve energy efficiency and create a sustainable environment. Tallahassee is committed to promoting the wise use of energy to create a sustainable environment and lower utility costs by providing our customers with energy efficiency and conservation programs, technology, and information.

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<p>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District</p>	<p>701 San Marco Boulevard Jacksonville, FL 32207-8175</p>	<p>DUVAL COUNTY, FL</p>	<p>\$ 6,800,000</p>	<p>The Duval County Federal Shore Protection Project involves the periodic renourishment of 10 miles of Atlantic shorelines between the St. Johns River and the Duval County – St. Johns County line.</p> <p>Florida is the nation’s most premier ocean state with 1,350 miles of coastline on both the Atlantic and the Gulf of Mexico.</p> <p>In 2005, tourism had a \$4.9 billion economic impact in Northeast Florida alone, attracting more than 5.6 million visitors.</p> <p>Our beaches serve as economic engines, attracting out of state tourists whose spending creates local employment and income which is spread far beyond the immediate area of the beach.</p>
<p>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District</p>	<p>701 San Marco Boulevard Jacksonville, FL 32207-8175</p>	<p>Ft. George Inlet Sand Bypass Study</p>	<p>\$ 200,000</p>	<p>This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the inlet’s closing is having a detrimental effect on nearby ecosystems and Duval County beaches. The altered water salinity flowing into the wetlands has reduced natural habitat in coastal marshes near the Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve. And the reduced southerly sand migration prevents the natural replenishment on the Duval County shoreline, which has created an ongoing need for beach renourishment. Re-direction of the sediment will help restore the habitat to its natural condition and improve the overall stability of Duval County beaches.</p>

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<p>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District</p>	<p>701 San Marco Boulevard Jacksonville, FL 32207-8175</p>	<p>INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY, JACKSONVILLE TO MIAMI, FL</p>	<p>\$ 2,100,000</p>	<p>This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the operation and maintenance of the Intracoastal Waterway in Florida is a Federal responsibility.</p> <p>The local sponsor is required to provide the lands for dredged material management.</p> <p>Inadequate funding creates a maintenance back log decreasing the reliability and safety of the waterway for use by commercial and recreational vessels.</p>
<p>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District</p>	<p>701 San Marco Boulevard Jacksonville, FL 32207-8175</p>	<p>JACKSONVILLE HARBOR, FL</p>	<p>\$ 15,650,000</p>	<p>This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because dredging improvements will assure that commodities reach their destination efficiently and cleanly by ship rather than by surface transportation, which reduces air pollution, strain on our over- burdened highway system and traffic congestion. In addition, to continue JAXPORT's growth, the channel must be deepened so it can handle container ships with deeper drafts.</p>
<p>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District</p>	<p>701 San Marco Boulevard Jacksonville, FL 32207-8175</p>	<p>JACKSONVILLE HARBOR, FL</p>	<p>\$ 14,000,000</p>	<p>The Jacksonville Harbor project is an authorized federal project and has regularly received O&amp;M funds which are necessary to retain the federal project depth. Pursuant to federal statute, the Army Corps of Engineers is responsible for federal maintenance of federal navigation channels.</p>

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<p>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District</p>	<p>701 San Marco Boulevard Jacksonville, FL 32207-8175</p>	<p>MILE POINT, FL</p>	<p>\$ 200,000</p>	<p>This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the current navigation impediments present severe safety and efficiency issues for vessel traffic in the St. John's Harbor and improvements are critically needed to assure Jacksonville Port's continued ability to serve modern cargo vessels in a safe and efficient manner.</p>
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