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Subject: Infrastructure Upgrades and the Border Impact Bond - Planning for Permanent Prevention of Trash and Sediment Entering the Tijuana River in San Diego.

To Whom It May Concern:

I am concerned about the sewage, trash and chemicals that afflict the Tijuana River Valley. Sewage contamination is a recurring problem in the area. Yearly rain events bring an estimated 60,000 tons of sediment, 5,000+tires and countless **tons** of plastics into the Tijuana River Valley and the Pacific Ocean. I therefore am writing to express my support for the following:

1. Infrastructure upgrades to the International Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Flood Control Project that would capture, hold and treat Mexican sewage spills and small rain events. On Tuesday, December 11, 2018 we were informed that a Mexican infrastructure breakdown resulted in an estimated 7 million gallons of sewage per day polluting the Tijuana River Valley and the Pacific Ocean.
2. The Border Impact Bond is a project being championed by 4Walls International that would focus on upstream community led projects in Mexico that would repurpose waste tires and sediment by creating a value in trash. At the moment, there is no recycling program in Baja California. The impact of this bond will be seen in the Tijuana River Valley and local beaches.

Please consider allocating federal funding for the efforts mentioned above that would facilitate the capturing of trash, sediment, and sewage-contaminated runoff before it reaches the Pacific Ocean.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to receiving your update.

Sincerely,

Name:

Address:

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