

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 8, 1976

The Speaker of the  
House of Representatives

Sir:

I ask the Congress to consider proposed supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year 1976 in the amount of \$1,010,000 and for the transition quarter in the amount of \$530,000 as well as a budget amendment for fiscal year 1977 in the amount of \$960,000 for the Department of the Interior.

The details of this proposal are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget. I concur in his comments and observations.

Respectfully,

Enclosure

*Gerald R. Ford*



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

March 8, 1976

The President

The White House

Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration proposed supplemental appropriations in the amount of \$1,010,000 for fiscal year 1976 and \$530,000 for the transition quarter as well as a budget amendment for the fiscal year 1977 in the amount of \$960,000 for the Department of the Interior. The details of these requests are contained in the enclosure to this letter.

I have carefully reviewed these requests and I am satisfied that they are necessary at this time. I recommend, therefore, that these proposals be transmitted to the Congress.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James T. Lynn".

James T. Lynn  
Director

Enclosure

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Management of Lands and Resources

For an additional amount for "Management of lands and resources", \$1,010,000.

For an additional amount for "Management of lands and resources" for the period July 1, 1976, through September 30, 1976, \$530,000.

Budget Appendix Page	Heading	1977 Request Pending	1977 Proposed Amendment	1977 Revised Request
427	Management of lands and resources	\$208,740,000	\$960,000	\$209,700,000

These requests would provide the funds to prepare an environmental impact statement, as required by the National Environmental Policy Act, for an oil pipeline proposed to be constructed by Standard Oil of Ohio (SOHIO) to carry oil from Los Angeles to Midland, Texas. A surplus of oil on the West Coast is anticipated after oil begins to flow from Alaska in late 1977 or 1978. The Department of the Interior will be reimbursed in full for this work by SOHIO.