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U.S. Department of Commerce Invests \$2.5 Million to Upgrade Critical Infrastructure to in Fresno

WASHINGTON — U.S. Secretary of Commerce Penny Pritzker today announced that the Department’s Economic Development Administration (EDA) is awarding a \$2.5 million grant to the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District to make critical infrastructure improvements in Fresno, Ca.

“The Obama Administration is committed to improving our nation’s infrastructure, which is crucial for both creating jobs and remaining competitive in today’s global economy,” said Secretary Pritzker. “The EDA investment announced today will support critical infrastructure upgrades to help Fresno manufacturers and boost the regional economy.”

EDA’s investment will improve storm drain and roadway infrastructure in the city of Fresno. According to the grantee, the improvements will increase the capacity of industrial firms in the region, helping them to create 258 new jobs.

About the U.S. Economic Development Administration (www.eda.gov)

The mission of the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) is to lead the federal economic development agenda by promoting competitiveness and

preparing the nation's regions for growth and success in the worldwide economy. An agency within the U.S. Department of Commerce, EDA makes investments in economically distressed communities in order to create jobs for U.S. workers, promote American innovation, and accelerate long-term sustainable economic growth.

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