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Money to reconstruct an historic riverport in the City of Jefferson, plus education dollars for the Cypress Valley Alliance and the Caddo Lake Scholars Program, made it though a hurdle Thursday in the U.S. House of Representatives.

If the Senate approves the appropriations bill, which David Eskola, an aide to U.S. Rep. Jim

Chapman (D-Texas) said in pretty non-controversial, the next step is President Clinton's desk.

If the federal dollars make it to East Texas, the biggest amount — \$3.75 million — will go to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The Corps would design and reconstruct the historic Port of Jefferson near the turning basin in downtown Jefferson.

Plans proposed for the project include refurbishing historic

structures and creating a public area of environmental learning, tourist promotion and economic development, according to Chapman.

Added to that will be \$430,000 for research, equipment and other expenses associated with the Cypress Valley Alliance education center to be located in the historic development.

In addition, the Caddo Lake Institute is to receive \$200,000

for its ongoing work on wetland education and training. The Caddo Lake Institute's scholars program is a consortium of colleges and universities with studies on Caddo Lake. The institute also has programs in several public schools, including Marshall, Longview, Harleton, Waskom, Hallsville and Karnack. It is the creation of Linden native rock star and environmentalist Don Henley.