

North American Concrete Alliance

The Honorable Shelley Moore Capito
Chairwoman
Environment and Public Works Committee
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Sheldon Whitehouse
Ranking Member
Environment and Public Works Committee
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Dear Chairwoman Capito and Ranking Member Whitehouse:

The North American Concrete Alliance (NACA) supports the bipartisan Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2026 introduced and passed by the Committee with unanimous consent. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) projects and biennial passage of a Water Resources Development Act every two years is critical to the cement and concrete industry, as well as the reauthorization of Environmental Protection Agency water construction programs.

NACA is a coalition of concrete-related trade associations dedicated to addressing industry-wide priorities in the areas of research, education, and government affairs. Cement and concrete are the foundation of our nation's water infrastructure, including locks and dams, flood control, and storm risk reduction, in communities across the country. Furthermore, many NACA members rely heavily on inland waterways to ship products to market, demonstrating these systems are vital for American commerce.

We specifically applaud WRDA 2026 for addressing these critical infrastructure needs by including: the authorization of 61 feasibility studies and 15 new or modified construction projects across the country; and the reauthorization of Environmental Protection Agency's drinking water and wastewater infrastructure programs.

By maintaining a regular, two-year cycle for WRDA, Congress allows our industry to invest, plan, and build a more resilient America and reauthorize EPA water infrastructure programs to help build critical water infrastructure projects. For these reasons, NACA urges the swift passage of WRDA.

Sincerely,

American Cement Association
American Concrete Institute
American Concrete Pavement Association
American Concrete Pipe Association
American Concrete Pressure Pipe Association
American Concrete Pumping Association
Concrete Foundations Association

Concrete Masonry & Hardscapes Association
Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute
National Precast Concrete Association
National Ready Mixed Concrete Association
Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute
Tilt-Up Concrete Association