



December 7, 2016

The Honorable Bill Shuster
Chairman
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Peter DeFazio
Ranking Member
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure
U.S. House of Representatives
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The Honorable Bob Gibbs
Chairman
Subcommittee on Water Resources
and Environment
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Grace Napolitano
Ranking Member
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U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Chairman Shuster, Ranking Member DeFazio, Chairman Gibbs, and Ranking Member Napolitano:

On behalf of the membership of the Pacific Northwest Waterways Association, I would like to thank you for your efforts on the Water Resources Development Act of 2016. Investing in our nation's water and navigation infrastructure is critical to our regional and national economy, and our members are extremely appreciative of your leadership on this important legislation.

In addition to returning WRDA to a biennial timeframe, we thank you for so many provisions benefitting all those who rely on ports for their livelihoods. In particular, we would like to highlight permanence for the small port set-aside, language increasing HMTF authorizations at least 3% annually, and further refinement of provisions to address the needs of our donor ports. These changes will help the Corps and our ports keep navigation channels and berthing areas dredged and our jetties maintained, in turn increasing the reliability and safety of our ports and waterways. We also greatly appreciate inclusion of the Columbia River Basin Restoration Act, a grant program to help clean up toxins in the Columbia River Basin. This new program will help protect people and wildlife from exposure to hazardous contaminants and avoid costly environmental cleanups and economic loss.

The membership of the Pacific Northwest Waterways Association fully supports the passage of WRDA 2016. Our ports and waterways are key drivers of local and regional economic growth, and are vital to the economic vitality of our entire nation.

Sincerely,

Kristin Meira
Executive Director
Pacific Northwest Waterways Association

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