



**American Pipeline Contractors Association** (An Association of Merit Shop Contractors)

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December 8, 2025

The Honorable Mike Johnson  
Speaker of the House  
H0232, The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Hakeem Jeffries  
Minority Leader  
H-204, The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Sam Graves  
Chairman  
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rick Larsen  
Ranking Member  
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker Johnson, Minority Leader Jeffries, Chairman Graves, Ranking Member Larsen, and all members of the U.S. House of Representatives:

On behalf of the American Pipeline Contractors Association (APCA), I write in support of legislation on the House floor this week approved by the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee on June 25, 2025, that will streamline permitting under the Clean Water Act (CWA). Provisions of the Promoting Efficient Review for Modern Infrastructure for Today (PERMIT) Act (H.R. 3898)<sup>1</sup> will modernize the cumbersome federal permitting system and improve America's infrastructure and energy dominance agenda.

APCA represents construction firms, manufacturers, and suppliers who build and maintain interstate pipeline systems. Every day, APCA members provide the manpower and materials to build the infrastructure needed to deliver critical energy across the country.

APCA members face CWA permit requirements to build, maintain, and repair critical energy infrastructure pipelines to meet increasing energy demand and provide reliable and affordable energy to stakeholders.

Delivering energy through America's pipelines has never been more important. However, flawed federal permitting programs—including those under the CWA—delay energy projects, suffocate job creation, and slow America's economic growth.

APCA applauds House and committee leadership for advancing commonsense reforms to improve infrastructure permitting.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.congress.gov/bill/119th-congress/house-bill/3898>

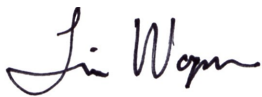
The PERMIT Act represents a significant advancement in addressing persistent issues within the permitting process. It aims to improve transparency, reduce regulatory uncertainty, and ensure prompt decision-making. Streamlining the permitting process will speed up infrastructure projects and boost the economy by creating jobs for construction and manufacturing industries and energy reliability for all.

APCA supports the PERMIT Act's inclusion of the Nationwide Permitting Improvement Act (H.R. 3927), introduced by Rep. David Rouzer (R-NC), because it creates a new category of nationwide permits for linear infrastructure projects that will speed the approval of critical oil, gas, hydrogen, and other pipeline and utility-based infrastructure with limited environmental impact.

APCA appreciates PERMIT Act provisions clarifying and expediting judicial review timelines and enhancing coordination between federal and state agencies. These measures will significantly reduce delays and costs associated with advancing pipeline infrastructure projects subject to the CWA's regulatory framework.

APCA looks forward to working with Congress on advancing additional regulatory reforms and commonsense policies to deliver quality energy pipeline infrastructure to America.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tim Wagner". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Tim" and last name "Wagner" clearly distinguishable.

Tim Wagner  
Executive Director  
American Pipeline Contractors Association

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