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The Honorable Sam Graves
Chairman
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U.S. House of Representatives
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The Honorable Rick Larsen
Ranking Member
Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure
U.S. House of Representatives
2163 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Graves, Ranking Member Larsen, and Members of the Committee:

The American Road & Transportation Builders Association (ARTBA) strongly supports the Clean Water Act permitting improvements included in the bills introduced by House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee members June 12. These reforms collectively offer targeted, practical upgrades to a system that, too often, delays essential transportation projects for little to no environmental value. We urge all committee members to support the following measures:

- **The Promoting Efficient Review for Modern Infrastructure Today (PERMIT) Act (H.R. 3898)** would be a step toward regulatory clarity by ensuring that ephemeral features like roadside ditches are less likely to be misclassified as jurisdictional waters.
- **The Nationwide Permitting Improvement Act (H.R. 3927)** would provide long-term certainty for transportation projects by extending the reissuance period from five to ten years and clarifying eligibility—especially for complex, multi-jurisdictional efforts.
- **The Judicial Review Timeline Clarity Act (H.R. 3905)** would provide finality and protect projects from speculative and prolonged litigation.
- **The Restoring Federalism in Clean Water Act Permitting Act (H.R. 3902)** would reduce duplicative federal reviews, empower states to lead, and create a more efficient, responsive permitting process.

If enacted, these bills would not diminish environmental safeguards. Instead, they would modernize the permitting framework by restoring balance, transparency, and certainty needed to deliver projects on time, on budget, and in full compliance with the law.

ARTBA appreciates your leadership and looks forward to working with you to see these measures enacted.

Sincerely,

David Bauer
President & CEO

cc: Members of the House Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure