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U.S. House of Representatives
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Ranking Member Nick Rahall
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Chairman Bob Gibbs
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Ranking Member Tim Bishop
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Dear Chairman Shuster, Ranking Member Rahall, Chairman Gibbs and Ranking Member Bishop:

CH2M HILL, a global leader in full-service consulting, design, design-build, operations and program management services, is proud to support the Water Resources and Reform Development Act's Conference Report.

Your commitment to crafting WRRDA in a bipartisan manner never wavered, and neither did your desire to keep America competitive through the modernization of our nation's ports, dams, levee and inland waterway systems. This final agreement will prepare our ports for the next generation of cargo ships while improving our inland waterway system. In addition, projects will get underway faster with shorter review times and less red tape.

We are especially pleased with the inclusion of Section 5014, which creates a pilot program whereby 15 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers projects will enter into public-private partnerships so that they may move forward, reach completion and contribute to the American economy. As funding continues to be scarce throughout many public sector entities, it is often a private sector partner that can bridge the gap and ensure that critical infrastructure is built.

From everyone at CH2M HILL, thank you again for your hard work on this critically important legislation. We look forward to working with you to ensure that the Water Resources and Reform Development Act is passed swiftly by both chambers.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Howlie R. Davis".

Howlie Davis
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