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

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with Section 203 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986, as amended, I am responsible for determining whether the Cedar Port Navigation & Improvement District's (CPNID), Cedar Port Channel Deepening Project, Section 203, Feasibility Study and Environmental Impact Statement (June 2026), and the process under which the study was developed, comply with Federal laws and regulations. In addition, I must submit a report to Congress that describes the results of my review, including a determination of whether the CPNID's recommended project is feasible; any recommendations I may have concerning the recommended plan; and any conditions that I may require for construction of the proposed project.

After a thorough policy review, I have determined that the CPNID's recommended plan is feasible and complies with applicable Federal laws and regulations. While there are no concerns with the current plan or design of the project, further design and construction shall continue to follow all relevant policies and procedures governing implementation of water resources development projects undertaken by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) advises that, should the Congress authorize this project for construction, it would need to compete with other proposed investments for funding in future budgets. A copy of OMB's letter, dated August 20, 2026, is enclosed. I am sending an identical letter to Ranking Member Larsen and the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Adam R. Telle", is written over the word "Sincerely,".
Adam R. Telle

Enclosures