



June 24, 2025

The Honorable Sam Graves
Chairman
Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rick Larsen
Chairman
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The Honorable Mike Collins
Chairman
Subcommittee on Water Resources & Environment
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U.S. House of Representatives
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The Honorable Frederica Wilson
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Water Resources & Environment
Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure
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Dear Chairman Graves, Ranking Member Larsen, Chairman Collins & Ranking Member Wilson:

On behalf of the members of The Fertilizer Institute (TFI), I write in support of the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute (ANS) to H.R. 3898, Promoting Efficient Review for Modern Infrastructure Today (PERMIT) Act. TFI urges the Committee to approve the ANS and the underlying bill during its markup session scheduled for June 25, 2025, and for the full House to swiftly pass the legislation.

The ANS includes several common-sense policies to bring needed clarity, consistency, transparency and fairness to the Clean Water Act (CWA) permitting process all while maintaining law's important protections for water quality and natural resources. Improving the efficiency of the CWA permitting process is an essential step in advancing the development of new and / or modernized fertilizer production operations as well as distribution and retail facilities. The legislation included in the ANS advances this priority while also addressing other issues that impact farmers and the agriculture community.

Growing U.S. fertilizer production is needed to ensure that U.S. farmers continue to have access to stable and affordable supplies of the essential nutrients needed to grow the crops that feed our communities. Today the U.S. fertilizer industry contributes \$140 billion to the nation's economy and supports nearly 500,000 American jobs. TFI members are at the forefront of several sustainability activities, including advancing water stewardship in their own operations and working with farmers to expand the adoption of 4R Nutrient Stewardship practices.

Sincerely,

Tom Lynch
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The Fertilizer Institute