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House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee  
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The Honorable Peter A. DeFazio  
Chair, House Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure  
United States House of Representatives

The Honorable Sam Graves  
Ranking Member, House Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure  
United States House of Representatives

The Honorable Grace F. Napolitano  
Chair, Water Resources and Environment Subcommittee  
House Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure  
United States House of Representatives

The Honorable David Rouzer  
Ranking Member, Water Resources and Environment Subcommittee  
House Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure  
United States House of Representatives

RE: Water Resources Development Act House T&I Committee Draft - Section 330 – Excess Credits

Dear Chairs DeFazio and Napolitano and Ranking Members Graves and Rouzer,

Thank you for your important work on the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) 2022. As the State of California Non-Federal sponsor and on behalf of the Central Valley Flood Protection Board, we request maintaining the Senate Environment and Public Works (EPW) Committee WRDA 2022 Draft version Section 128 in the final WRDA 2022 draft. The Senate EPW language pertaining to excess credits most effectively addresses the concerns of the State of California as testified on February 8, 2022, by California Natural Resources Agency Secretary Wade Crowfoot before the House T&I Sub-Committee on Water Resources and Environment. Specifically, Section 128 of the Senate EPW Committee WRDA removes any uncertainty about how or when credits may be transferred or applied.

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Good faith investments were made in congressionally authorized projects in a transparent and cooperative manner with the Army Corps of Engineers. Whereas, recovering these significant costs of this proactive work is important to the State of California, this clarification language would benefit any non-federal sponsor who might consider incurring costs on congressionally authorized projects ahead of federal appropriations to address public safety concerns as soon as possible.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Leslie Gallagher, Executive Officer  
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Honorable U.S. Representative Doris Matsui  
Honorable U.S. Representative John Garamendi  
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