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**HOUSE AND SENATE CONFERENCE ON THE WRDA BILLS
NEARING COMPLETION WITH FLOOR VOTES EXPECTED
NEXT WEEK IN BOTH CHAMBERS**

House and Senate staff conference negotiations on the Water Resources Development Act of 2016 have been ongoing this week with a conclusion anticipated by end of this week or early next week. House and Senate floor votes could occur as soon as next week. Details of the conference negotiations are being held close to the vest. At this time, it appears that the House Republicans are insisting on resolving the Corps of Engineers issues that are in both bills and deflecting the “EPA issues” in the Senate bill. The Senate and House Democrats are concerned that the conference participants will reach an agreement on the Corps of Engineers issues but will run out of time to resolve the EPA issues. Coalition representatives continue to make it known to key conference staff that the Coalition supports the Senate language on the voluntary labeling/fee proposal and other water related provisions of interest and to advocate from the House’s side, inclusion of many of the provisions contained in Congressman DeFazio’s omnibus water bill such as reauthorization of the Clean Water SRF and the Alternative Water Source Projects Program.

Coalition representatives will continue to meet with conference staff and vigorously advocate for noted Senate provisions to be included in the final WRDA bill.

**COALITION HOLDS NATIONAL CONFERENCE CALL TO
DISCUSS THE EFFECTS OF THE ELECTION ON THE
INFRASTRUCTURE INDUSTRY AND CONGRESS’S
WRDA 2016 CONFERENCE**

The Clean Water Construction Coalition held a national conference call on November 22, 2016 to discuss the recent national election and its effect on the infrastructure industry. Reviewed were the following:

- President Elect Trump’s Infrastructure proposal
- New Senate and House Leadership
- Party Makeup of the Senate and House and ability to move legislation
- WRDA 2016 Congressional Conference
- New Movement To Return To Earmarks

Attached with this Notice are minutes of the CWCC conference call that was held on November 22, 2016.

- AGC of America
- AGC of Texas
- Alabama Utility Contractors Association
- Arizona Utility Contractors Association
- Associated Pennsylvania Constructors
- Associated Utility Contractors Of Maryland *
- Connecticut Construction Industries Association
- CIC of Westchester County & Hudson Valley *
- Engineering Contractors Association
- General Contractors Association Of New York
- Georgia Utility Contractors Association
- Indiana Constructors Inc.
- Long Island Contractors Association
- Maryland Transportation Builders & Materials Association
- Michigan Infrastructure & Transportation Association
- Minnesota Utility Contractors Association*
- National Rural Water Association
- New Mexico Utility Contractors Association
- Ohio Contractors Association
- Public Works Contractors Association of Maryland
- Tennessee Road Builders Association
- Underground Contractors Association of Illinois *
- United Contractors *
- UCA of Anne Arundel County
- Utility Contractors Association of New England *
- Utility & Transportation Contractors Association of New Jersey *
- Contractors Association Of West Virginia
- Wisconsin Underground Contractors Association

* Steering Committee Member

FEDERAL ADVOCATES DECEMBER REPORT

Included with this notice is Key Advocates December 2016 report.