



**National Association of Flood and Stormwater Management Agencies**

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Hon. Nancy Pelosi  
Speaker  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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Hon. Kevin McCarthy  
Minority Leader  
U.S. House of Representative  
**2468 Rayburn House Office Building**  
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Steny Hoyer  
Majority Leader  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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Dear Speaker Pelosi, Minority Leader McCarthy, and Majority Leader Steny Hoyer,

The National Association of Flood and Stormwater Management Agencies (NAFSMA) is an organization of public agencies whose function is the protection of lives, property, the environment and economic activity from the adverse impacts of storm and flood waters. Since its formation in 1978, NAFSMA's mission has been to advocate public policy, encourage technologies and conduct education programs that facilitate and enhance the public service functions of its members.

Many NAFSMA members are partners with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on flood damage reduction and ecosystem restoration projects and also participate in FEMA's National Flood Insurance Program and work closely with FEMA on flood risk and hazard mitigation efforts. The policies and projects authorized under the Water Resources Development Act are critical to reducing flood risk for citizens in communities and regions throughout the nation. The intensity of recent storms, impacts from recent wildfires and stresses placed on many water resource agencies due to COVID-19 make passage of a water resources bill more important than ever.

As a result, NAFSMA supports and urges that Congress approve the conference report for WRDA/America's Water Infrastructure Act (S. 1811) this congressional session. A copy of NAFSMA's leadership list is attached.

Please feel free to have your staff contact me at 202-289-8625 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Susan Gilson, Executive Director

Cc: Hon. Peter DeFazio, Chairman, House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee; Hon. Sam Graves, Ranking Member, House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee