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The Honorable John Barrasso
Chairman
U.S. Senate Committee on
Environment and Public Works
307 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Tom Carper
Ranking Member
U.S. Senate Committee on
Environment and Public Works
513 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Re: NAR Thanks the Committee for Holding a Hearing on America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2018.

Dear Chairman Barrasso and Ranking Member Carper:

On behalf of the 1.3 million members of the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR), thank you for holding a hearing on "America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2018."

This legislation would ensure the viability of many programs and projects related to water infrastructure, including navigation, water resources management, recreation, and infrastructure and environmental stewardship. Moving this bill forward would be an important first step toward providing critical economic and environmental benefits to the nation.

Projects funded by this legislation effect real estate and economic development and help protect communities from the impacts of natural disasters. Homeowners need clean and drinkable water, neighborhoods depend on the construction and maintenance of water management structures, the private sector depends on clear waterways and ports to receive and transport goods, and a healthy environment depends on the nation's ability to clean and treat wastewater. All of these critical projects are authorized and funded by this important legislation.

NAR thanks the Committee for promptly discussing this legislation and urges its swift passage through the legislative process.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Mendenhall
2018 President, National Association of REALTORS®

cc: U.S. Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works



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