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The Honorable Joe Manchin
United States Senate
306 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Dan Sullivan
United States Senate
702 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Garret Graves
United States House of Representatives
204 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressmen Graves, Senator Manchin, and Senator Sullivan:

I am writing to express our steadfast support for your initiative to introduce a bipartisan, bicameral Congressional Review Act (CRA) resolution to overturn the NEPA Phase II Final Rule. Your leadership in seeking to correct this regulatory misstep is crucial for ensuring that infrastructure development can proceed efficiently and equitably.

The NEPA Phase II rule, as currently formulated, appears to contradict the original bipartisan agreement intended to streamline the permitting process, which is essential for the timely execution of infrastructure projects vital for national security and economic growth. The added bureaucratic layers and potential for increased litigation threaten to stall these critical projects, impacting job creation and our overall economic vitality.

The efforts by your offices to uphold the intentions of the Fiscal Responsibility Act by ensuring a level playing field for all projects are commendable. The original bipartisan agreement was a significant achievement aimed at reducing red tape and facilitating faster completion of essential infrastructure works. It is imperative that this spirit of cooperative governance be preserved and that regulatory overreach, which favors particular agendas at the cost of broader national interests, be curtailed.

We are appreciative of your commitment to rectify these issues and support the reintroduction of fairness and efficiency into the regulatory framework governing our nation's infrastructure projects. Please know that you have my full backing as you work to pass this resolution and continue your efforts to foster an environment conducive to growth and development.



Thank you for your dedication to this cause. I urge you to continue your efforts in Congress to ensure that our infrastructure can be developed efficiently and without undue delay, reflecting the true needs and security interests of the American people.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Michele Stanley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the "y" of "Stanley".

Michele Stanley
Executive Vice President & Chief Advocacy Officer