

# INFRASTRUCTURE WORKING GROUP

January 3, 2018

The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Majority Leader  
U.S. Senate

The Honorable Paul Ryan  
Speaker  
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Charles Schumer  
Minority Leader  
U.S. Senate

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi  
Minority Leader  
U.S. House of Representatives

Dear Majority Leader McConnell, Speaker Ryan and Minority Leaders Schumer and Pelosi:

We are a broad collection of associations and organizations working with all levels of government to address our nation's infrastructure deficit. We encourage you to develop and advance an infrastructure investment package that will improve the safety, reliability and efficiency of our nation's infrastructure.

Substantial and long-term investments in all kinds of infrastructure are needed to expand our economy, grow jobs and compete globally. We appreciate strong bipartisan support for various infrastructure initiatives over the years and hope that past momentum can sustain a more substantial commitment to meet the needs of our economy.

We believe that infrastructure must continue to be a leading priority of the 115th Congress and address the following goals:

- Increases direct federal investments, in a broad range of infrastructure sectors over 10 years to achieve a \$1 trillion investment,
- Complements and strengthens existing tools, such as municipal bonds, that successfully deliver infrastructure investments at the federal, state and local levels,
- Facilitates opportunities for private investment in U.S. infrastructure,
- Creates efficiencies such as accelerating the federal permitting process,
- Fixes chronic challenges and addresses reoccurring shortages in key federal infrastructure accounts such as the Highway Trust Fund, and;
- Encourages active participation among all levels of government and between the public and private sectors without shifting federal responsibilities because no single partner can deliver a well-functioning, national U.S. infrastructure network driven by a long-term vision and funding stability.

Passing a comprehensive package that transforms U.S. infrastructure systems beyond the status quo is necessary to maintain U.S. economic competitiveness. We urge you to work across the aisle to develop a proposal that ensures U.S. infrastructure is second to none.

Sincerely,

Airports Council International - North America	International Housewares Association
American Apparel and Footwear Association	International Union of Operating Engineers
American Association of Port Authorities	Irrigation Association
American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials	Juvenile Products Manufacturers Association
American Bakers Association	Laborers Int. Union of North America (LIUNA)
American Coatings Association	League of American Bicyclists
American Coke and Coal Chemicals Institute	Metals Service Center Institute
American Composites Manufacturers Association	Motor & Equipment Manufacturers Association
American Concrete Pipe Association	MPIF
American Council of Engineering Companies	National Asphalt Pavement Association
American Farm Bureau Federation	National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA)
American Forest & Paper Association	National Association of Counties
American Gas Association	National Association of Manufacturers
American Highway Users Alliance	National Association of Regional Councils
American Home Furnishings Alliance	National Association of Trailer Manufacturers
American Institute of Architects	National Corn Growers Association
American Investment Council	National Electrical Contractors Association
American Iron and Steel Institute	National Grain and Feed Association
American Petroleum Institute	National Ground Water Association
American Planning Association	National Hispanic Construction Association
American Public Transportation Association	National Industrial Sand Association
American Public Works Association (APWA)	National League of Cities
American Road & Transportation Builders Association	National Lime Association
American Society of Civil Engineers	National Lumber and Building Material Dealers Association
American Supply Association	National Marine Manufacturers Association
American Traffic Safety Services Association	National Oilseed Processors Association
American Wind Energy Association	National Precast Concrete Association
American Wire Producers Association	National Railroad Construction & Maintenance Association (NRC)
American Wood Council	National Retail Federation
AMT - The Association for Manufacturing Technology	National Stone, Sand & Gravel Association
Associated Equipment Distributors	National Utility Contractors Association
Associated General Contractors of America	National Waste & Recycling Association
Association for the Improvement of American Infrastructure (AIAI)	National Wooden Pallet and Container Association
Association of Equipment Manufacturers	Non-Ferrous Founders' Society
Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers	North America's Building Trades Unions
Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations	Outdoor Power Equipment Institute
Bakery Equipment Manufacturers & Allied	Plastic Pipe and Fittings Association
	Plastics Industry Association
	Plastics Pipe Institute

Bond Dealers of America  
Brick Industry Association  
Building America's Future  
Coalition for America's Gateways & Trade  
Corridors  
Common Good  
Composite Panel Association  
Construction Management Association of  
America  
Consumer Specialty Products Association  
Copper & Brass Fabricators Council  
Fabricators and Manufacturers Association,  
International  
Fashion Accessories Shippers Association  
(FASA)  
Gemini Shippers Association  
Hydraulic Institute  
INDA, The Association of the Nonwoven  
Fabrics Industry  
Industrial Minerals Association - North  
America  
Institute of Makers of Explosives  
Interlocking Concrete Pavement Institute  
International Bottled Water Association  
International Bridge, Tunnel and Turnpike  
Association (IBTTA)

Plumbing Manufacturers International  
Portland Cement Association  
Power Transmission Distributors Association  
Rail Passengers Association  
Railway Engineering-Maintenance Suppliers  
Association (REMSA)  
Railway Supply Institute  
Resilient Floor Covering Institute  
Retail Industry Leaders Association  
Security Industry Association  
SIFMA  
The Adhesive and Sealant Council  
The Design-Build Institute of America  
The Fertilizer Institute  
The United States Conference of Mayors  
Travel Goods Association (TGA)  
Treated Wood Council  
TRSA - The Linen, Uniform and Facility  
Services Association  
U.S. Tire Manufacturers Association  
U.S. Travel Association  
US Water Alliance  
Vinyl Institute  
Waterways Council, Inc.

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