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CONGRESS APPROVES OMNIBUS APPROPRIATIONS BILL FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2015

House and Senate have passed a \$1.1 trillion Omnibus spending bill that will fund 11 of the federal government's 12 annual appropriations bills until September 30, 2015. The Appropriation measure for the Department of Homeland Security will be funded under a Continuing Resolution that is set to expire February 27, 2015. The federal FY 2015 spending bill is now on President Obama's desk. The President has indicated that he will sign the measure.

The Omnibus agreement by Congress is good news for the Coalition! Funding levels will remain at the higher amounts that were appropriated in 2014. The Clean Water SRF will be funded at \$1.448 billion and the Safe Drinking Water SRF will operate with \$906 million for its program. As previously noted, these funding levels are higher than the Obama Administration and House Appropriations Committee's FY15 Interior Appropriations Bill (H.R. 5171) that provided \$1.018 billion for making capitalization grants for the Clean Water State Revolving Funds (\$430 million below federal FY 2014 level) and \$757 million for making capitalization grants for the Drinking Water State Revolving Funds (\$150 million below federal FY 2014 level).

The U.S. Army Corps Civil Works Program will be funded at \$5.5 billion, an increase of \$15 million above the fiscal year 2014 enacted level. The bill prioritizes funding for navigation and flood control to advance public safety, boost U.S. export ability and create jobs. Within the total, the measure provides \$2.3 billion for navigation projects and studies; \$1.1 Billion to the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund for harbor maintenance, construction, and operations activities; \$281 million for the Inland Waterways Trust Fund for construction and rehabilitation of the nation's inland waterway infrastructure; and \$1.6 billion for public health and flood and storm damage reduction activities.

- AGC of America
- AGC of Texas
- Alabama 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
- Indiana Construction Association
- Long Island Contractors Association
- Maryland Transportation Builders & Materials Association
- Michigan Infrastructure & Transportation Association
- Minnesota Utility Contractors Association*
- National Rural Water Association
- Ohio Contractors Association
- Public Works Contractors Association of Maryland
- Southern California Contractors Association
- 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

CLEAN WATER CONSTRUCTION COALITION TO HOLD CONFERENCE CALL

The Clean Water Construction Coalition will hold a conference call to plan Coalition activities for 2015. The conference call details are as follows:

Date: December 18, 2014
Time: 1:00pm Eastern Standard Time
Dial-In: (712) 432-1500
Participant Code: 1084460#

An agenda will be emailed to participants prior to the conference call. Coalition members who wish to submit conference call agenda items may do so by emailing Helene Nasdeo at Helene@utcanj.org.

CLEAN WATER CONSTRUCTION COALITION CONFERENCE CALL

December 18, 2015

AGENDA

- Election Results
- Report on On-going Monitored Legislation
- Omnibus Budget Approval
- Clean Water and Drinking Water Reauthorization
- MAP 21 Reauthorization
- Coalition Strategy and Legislative Goals for 2015
- Coalition Meeting During ARTBA Fly-In Washington, DC
 - Coalition Meeting April 14, 2015
 - Congressional Visits and Reception April 15, 2015

Call 1:00pm EST

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