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# Fall 2021 Federal Legislative Update & Outlook Presented to CMANC

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- Fall Federal Deadlines
- Build Back Better Agenda: Infrastructure & Reconciliation
- Fiscal Year 2022 Appropriations
- Water Resources Development Act
- Next Steps

# Federal Fall Deadlines

- **September 15<sup>th</sup>**: House deadline to draft Reconciliation Package
- **September 27<sup>th</sup>**: IJA and Reconciliation Package vote in the House
- **September 30<sup>th</sup>**: Multiple expirations
  - End of FY21/Start of FY22
  - FAST Act
  - National Flood Insurance Program
- **Sometime in October**: Debt ceiling

## Two primary components of the President's Build Back Better Agenda:

- **American Jobs Plan**

- Traditional infrastructure
- Roads, bridges, waterways and broadband

- **American Families Plan**

- Care giver economy
- Early childhood education, childcare, community college

# Infrastructure Package Development

- **July 1, 2020:** House passed H.R. 2 the Moving Forward Act 233-188
- **March 31, 2021:** President Biden released the American Jobs Plan
- **May – Mid-June:** Senator Capito (R-WV) offered a counter proposal
- **Mid-June:** Bi-partisan group of 21 senators and President Biden agreed to a framework
- **August 10<sup>th</sup>:** Senate passed Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act (IIJA) 69-30
- **September 27<sup>th</sup>:** House vote expected

## **Funding primarily flows through competitive grant opportunities (DOT) or work plans (Corps):**

- Port Infrastructure Development Program: \$2.25B
- Grants for Reduction of Truck Emissions at Port Facilities: \$150M
- Marine Highways Program: \$25M
- RAISE: \$7.5B
- INFRA: \$3.2B
- CRISI: \$5B
- NEW National Infrastructure Project Assistance: \$5B
- Corps: \$16.176B
- NOAA: \$50M for coastal, ocean and Great Lakes observing systems and \$150M for marine debris assessment, prevention, mitigation and removal and \$492M for National Oceans and Coastal Security

## How IIJA & Reconciliation fit together:

- **Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act**
  - Traditional infrastructure totaling \$1.2T
  - A subset of infrastructure proposed in the President's American Jobs Plan
  
- **Reconciliation**
  - The President's American Families plan PLUS infrastructure items from the American Jobs Plan that were not included in IIJA

# Fiscal Year 2022 Appropriations Overview

- A return of earmarks
- 11 of 12 House bills cleared the House in late August
- Senate has marked up 3 of 12 bills in Full Committee. Two more could be considered week of September 20<sup>th</sup>
- Continuing Resolution(s) will be needed to avoid a government shutdown
- FY21 Omnibus passed by Congress 12/21/20 and signed by President 12/27/20



# Pending Fiscal Year 2022 Corps Funding

## HOUSE

- **Total Funding** - \$8.6B
- **General Investigations (GI)** - \$155M
- **Construction General (CG)** - \$2.6B
- **Operation & Maintenance (O&M)** - \$4.8B \$4.682B
- **WIFIA** (for non-federal dams) - \$5.7M
- **Flood Control and Coastal Emergencies (FCCE)**- \$35M
- **Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund (HMT)** - \$2.05B

## SENATE

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# Water Resources Development Act

- WRDA 2020 implementation guidance release – any day now
- Senate WRDA 2022 – kick off hearing held summer 2021
- House WRDA 2022 – anticipate action in early 2022
- 2022 priorities – climate, equity, natural or nature-based infrastructure
- ASA Nominee Mike Connor – approved by Senate Armed Services & EPW, awaiting floor consideration

# Next Steps

- FY22 Work Plan – Engage with Corps District & Division now and schedule Congressional meetings November/early December
- FY23 President’s Budget – Engage with Congress & OMB now
- FY23 Earmark or Language Request – Use the fall to plan and prioritize, submission due early 2022
- IJA Competitive Grants – Prepare for NOFOs late 2021/early 2022 for first round funding



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# Thank you

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