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To provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

- To provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and for other purposes.
 - 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
 - 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

- 4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
 5 "Shoreline Health Oversight, Restoration, Resilience, and
 6 Enhancement Act"
- 6 Enhancement Act".

1 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for

- 2 this Act is as follows:
 - Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
 - Sec. 2. Definition of Secretary.
 - Sec. 3. Shoreline and riverbank protection and restoration mission.
 - Sec. 4. Project authorizations.
 - Sec. 5. Modifications.
 - Sec. 6. Reauthorization of certain beach nourishment projects.
 - Sec. 7. Special rule for certain beach nourishment projects.
 - Sec. 8. Protection and restoration of other Federal land along rivers and coasts.
 - Sec. 9. Flood and coastal storm risk management feasibility studies.
 - Sec. 10. Credit in lieu of reimbursement.
 - Sec. 11. Coastal cost calculations.
 - Sec. 12. Advance payment in lieu of reimbursement for certain Federal costs.
 - Sec. 13. Cost-sharing for nonstructural projects.
 - Sec. 14. Coastal community flood control and other purposes.
 - Sec. 15. Port Fourchon, Louisiana, dredged material disposal plan.
 - Sec. 16. Delaware shore protection and restoration.
 - Sec. 17. Great Lakes advance measures assistance.
 - Sec. 18. Forecasting models for the Great Lakes.
 - Sec. 19. Chattahoochee River program.
 - Sec. 20. Mississippi River mat sinking unit.
 - Sec. 21. Rehabilitation of existing levees.

3 SEC. 2. DEFINITION OF SECRETARY.

4 In this Act, the term "Secretary" means the Sec-

5 retary of the Army.

6 SEC. 3. SHORELINE AND RIVERBANK PROTECTION AND

- 7 **RESTORATION MISSION.**
- 8 (a) DECLARATION OF POLICY.—Congress declares 9 that—

(1) it is the policy of the United States to protect and restore the shorelines of the United States,
which include each beach and shore of the Atlantic
and Pacific Oceans, the Gulf of Mexico, the Great
Lakes, and lakes, estuaries, and bays directly connected to those bodies of water, from the damaging

impacts of climate change and other factors contrib uting to the vulnerability of coastal communities and
 ecosystems;

4 (2) the protection and restoration of shores,
5 and of the banks of rivers and streams, from erosion
6 and other damaging forces exacerbated by climate
7 change shall be restored to a primary mission of the
8 Corps of Engineers in carrying out water resources
9 development projects;

10 (3) projects and measures for the protection 11 and restoration of shores, and of the banks of rivers 12 and streams, shall be formulated to increase the resilience of such shores, and of such banks, from the 13 14 damaging impacts of climate change and other fac-15 tors contributing to the vulnerability of coastal and 16 riverine communities and ecosystems using measures 17 described in section 1184(a) of the Water Resources 18 Development Act of 2016 (33 U.S.C. 2289a(a)) to 19 the maximum extent practicable; and

(4) periodic nourishment shall be provided, in
accordance with subsection (c) of the first section of
the Act of August 13, 1946 (60 Stat. 1056, chapter
960; 33 U.S.C. 426e(c)), and subject to section 156
of the Water Resources Development Act of 1976
(42 U.S.C. 1962d–5f), for projects and measures

| 1 | carried out for the purpose of restoring and increas- |
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| 2 | ing the resilience of ecosystems to the same extent |
| 3 | as periodic nourishment is provided for projects and |
| 4 | measures carried out for the purpose of coastal |
| 5 | storm risk management. |
| 6 | (b) Shoreline and Riverine Protection and |
| 7 | RESTORATION.— |
| 8 | (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 212 of the Water |
| 9 | Resources Development Act of 1999 (33 U.S.C. |
| 10 | 2332) is amended— |
| 11 | (A) in the section heading, by striking |
| 12 | "FLOOD MITIGATION AND RIVERINE RES- |
| 10 | TODATION DROCRAM", and incerting |
| 13 | TORATION PROGRAM" and inserting |
| 13 14 | "SHORELINE AND RIVERINE PROTECTION |
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| 14 | "SHORELINE AND RIVERINE PROTECTION |
| 14 15 | "SHORELINE AND RIVERINE PROTECTION AND RESTORATION"; |
| 14 15 16 | "SHORELINE AND RIVERINE PROTECTION AND RESTORATION"; (B) in subsection (a)— |
| 14 15 16 17 | "SHORELINE AND RIVERINE PROTECTION AND RESTORATION"; (B) in subsection (a)— (i) by striking "undertake a program |
| 14 15 16 17 18 | "SHORELINE AND RIVERINE PROTECTION AND RESTORATION"; (B) in subsection (a)— (i) by striking "undertake a program for the purpose of conducting" and insert- |
| 14 15 16 17 18 19 | "SHORELINE AND RIVERINE PROTECTION AND RESTORATION"; (B) in subsection (a)— (i) by striking "undertake a program for the purpose of conducting" and inserting "carry out"; |
| 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 | "SHORELINE AND RIVERINE PROTECTION AND RESTORATION"; (B) in subsection (a)— (i) by striking "undertake a program for the purpose of conducting" and inserting "earry out"; (ii) by striking "to reduce flood haz- |
| 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 | "SHORELINE AND RIVERINE PROTECTION AND RESTORATION"; (B) in subsection (a)— (i) by striking "undertake a program for the purpose of conducting" and inserting "carry out"; (ii) by striking "to reduce flood hazards" and inserting "to reduce erosion and |
| 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 | "SHORELINE AND RIVERINE PROTECTION AND RESTORATION"; (B) in subsection (a)— (i) by striking "undertake a program for the purpose of conducting" and inserting "carry out"; (ii) by striking "to reduce flood hazards" and inserting "to reduce erosion and flood and coastal storm hazards"; and |

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| 1 | (i) in paragraph (1)— |
| 2 | (I) by striking "In carrying out |
| 3 | the program, the" and inserting |
| 4 | "The"; |
| 5 | (II) by inserting "and coastal |
| 6 | storm" after "flood"; and |
| 7 | (III) by inserting "erosion miti- |
| 8 | gation," after "reduction,"; |
| 9 | (ii) in paragraph (3), by striking |
| 10 | "flood damages" and inserting "flood and |
| 11 | coastal storm damages, including the use |
| 12 | of measures described in section 1184(a) |
| 13 | of the Water Resources Development Act |
| 14 | of 2016 (33 U.S.C. 2289a(a))"; and |
| 15 | (iii) in paragraph (4)— |
| 16 | (I) by inserting "and coastal |
| 17 | storm" after "flood"; |
| 18 | (II) by inserting ", shoreline," |
| 19 | after "riverine"; and |
| 20 | (III) by inserting "and coastal |
| 21 | barriers" after "floodplains"; |
| 22 | (D) in subsection (c)— |
| 23 | (i) by striking paragraph (1) and in- |
| 24 | serting the following: |
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| 1 | "(1) Studies.—The non-Federal share of the |
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| 2 | cost of a study under this section shall be— |
| 3 | "(A) 20 percent; and |
| 4 | "(B) 10 percent, in the case of a study |
| 5 | benefitting an economically disadvantaged com- |
| 6 | munity (as defined pursuant to section 160 of |
| 7 | the Water Resources Development Act of 2020 |
| 8 | (33 U.S.C. 2201 note; Public Law 116–260))."; |
| 9 | and |
| 10 | (ii) in paragraph (2)— |
| 11 | (I) in the paragraph heading, by |
| 12 | striking "FLOOD CONTROL"; and |
| 13 | (II) by striking subparagraph (A) |
| 14 | and inserting the following: |
| 15 | "(A) IN GENERAL.—Design and construc- |
| 16 | tion of a nonstructural measure or project, a |
| 17 | measure or project described in section 1184(a) |
| 18 | of the Water Resources Development Act of |
| 19 | 2016 (33 U.S.C. 2289a(a)), or for a measure or |
| 20 | project for environmental restoration, shall be |
| 21 | subject to cost sharing in accordance with sec- |
| 22 | tion 103(b) of the Water Resources Develop- |
| 23 | ment Act of 1986 (33 U.S.C. 2213(b))."; and |
| 24 | (iii) in paragraph (3)— |

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(I) in the paragraph heading, by inserting "OR HURRICANE AND STORM DAMAGE REDUCTION" after "FLOOD CONTROL";

5 (II) by inserting "or hurricane
6 and storm damage reduction" after
7 "flood control"; and

(III) by striking "section 103(a) 8 9 of the Water Resources Development 10 Act of 1986 (33 U.S.C. 2213(a))" 11 and inserting "section 103 of the 12 Water Resources Development Act of 1986 (33 U.S.C. 2213), except that 13 14 the non-Federal share of the cost to 15 design and construct a project benefit-16 ting an economically disadvantaged 17 community (as defined pursuant to 18 section 160 of the Water Resources 19 Development Act of 2020 (33 U.S.C. 20 2201 note; Public Law 116–260)) 21 shall be 10 percent"; 22 (E) in subsection (d)— 23 (i) by striking paragraph (2);

24 (ii) by striking the subsection designa-25 tion and heading and all that follows

| 1 | through "Notwithstanding" in paragraph |
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| 2 | (1) in the matter preceding subparagraph |
| 3 | (A) and inserting the following: |
| 4 | "(d) PROJECT JUSTIFICATION.—Notwithstanding"; |
| 5 | (iii) by redesignating subparagraphs |
| 6 | (A) through (C) as paragraphs (1) through |
| 7 | (3), respectively, and indenting appro- |
| 8 | priately; and |
| 9 | (iv) in paragraph (1) (as so redesig- |
| 10 | nated), by striking "flood damages" and |
| 11 | inserting "flood, coastal storm, or erosion |
| 12 | damages''; |
| 13 | (F) in subsection (e)— |
| 14 | (i) by redesignating paragraphs (1) |
| 15 | through (33) as subparagraphs (A) |
| 16 | through (GG), respectively, and indenting |
| 17 | appropriately; |
| 18 | (ii) in the matter preceding subpara- |
| 19 | graph (A) (as so redesignated), by striking |
| 20 | "In carrying out" and inserting the fol- |
| 21 | lowing: |
| 22 | "(1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out"; and |
| 23 | (iii) by adding at the end the fol- |
| 24 | lowing: |

| 1 | "(2) PRIORITY PROJECTS.—In carrying out this |
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| 2 | section after the date of enactment of the Shoreline |
| 3 | Health Oversight, Restoration, Resilience, and En- |
| 4 | hancement Act, the Secretary shall prioritize |
| 5 | projects for the following locations: |
| 6 | "(A) Delaware Bay Beaches, Delaware. |
| 7 | "(B) Louisiana Coastal Area, Louisiana. |
| 8 | "(C) Great Lakes Shores and Watersheds. |
| 9 | "(D) Oregon Coastal Area, Oregon. |
| 10 | "(E) Upper Missouri River Basin. |
| 11 | "(F) Kanawha River Basin, West Virginia. |
| 12 | "(G) Any additional locations, as deter- |
| 13 | mined annually by the Secretary."; |
| 14 | (G) by striking subsections (f), (g), and (i); |
| 15 | (H) by redesignating subsection (h) as |
| 16 | subsection (f); and |
| 17 | (I) in subsection (f) (as so redesignated), |
| 18 | by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the fol- |
| 19 | lowing: |
| 20 | "(2) Projects requiring specific author- |
| 21 | IZATION.—The Secretary shall not carry out a |
| 22 | project until Congress enacts a law authorizing the |
| 23 | Secretary to carry out the project, if the Federal |
| 24 | share of the cost to design and construct the project |
| 25 | exceeds— |

| 1 | "(A) $$26,000,000$, in the case of a project |
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| 2 | benefitting an economically disadvantaged com- |
| 3 | munity (as defined pursuant to section 160 of |
| 4 | the Water Resources Development Act of 2020 |
| 5 | (33 U.S.C. 2201 note; Public Law 116–260)); |
| 6 | "(B) $$23,000,000$, in the case of a project |
| 7 | other than a project benefitting an economically |
| 8 | disadvantaged community (as so defined) |
| 9 | that— |
| 10 | "(i) is for purposes of environmental |
| 11 | restoration; or |
| 12 | "(ii) derives not less than 50 percent |
| 13 | of the erosion, flood, or coastal storm risk |
| 14 | reduction benefits from nonstructural |
| 15 | measures or measures described in section |
| 16 | 1184(a) of the Water Resources Develop- |
| 17 | ment Act of 2016 (33 U.S.C. 2289a(a)); or |
| 18 | "(C) $$18,500,000$, for a project other than |
| 19 | a project described in subparagraph (A) or |
| 20 | (B).". |
| 21 | (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of con- |
| 22 | tents in section 1(b) of the Water Resources Devel- |
| 23 | opment Act of 1999 (113 Stat. 269) is amended by |
| 24 | striking the item relating to section 212 and insert- |
| 25 | ing the following: |
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"Sec. 212. Shoreline and riverine protection and restoration.".

1 SEC. 4. PROJECT AUTHORIZATIONS.

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—The following projects for water 3 resources development and conservation and other pur-4 poses, as identified in the reports titled "Report to Congress on Future Water Resources Development" sub-5 6 mitted to Congress pursuant to section 7001 of the Water Resources Reform and Development Act of 2014 (33 7 8 U.S.C. 2282d) or otherwise reviewed by Congress, are authorized to be carried out by the Secretary substantially 9 in accordance with the plans, and subject to the condi-10 tions, described in the respective reports or decision docu-11 12 ments designated in this section:

13 (1) COASTAL STORM RISK MANAGEMENT.—

| A. State | B. Name | C. Date of Report or Decision Document | D. Estimated Costs |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. CT | Fairfield and New Haven Counties | January 19, 2021 | Federal: \$86,542,000 Non-Federal: \$46,599,000 Total: \$133,141,000 |
| 2. PR | San Juan Metro | September 16, 2021 | Federal: \$237,885,000 Non-Federal: \$127,306,000 Total: \$365,190,000 |
| 3. FL | Florida Keys, Monroe County | September 24, 2021 | Federal: \$1,367,250,000 Non-Federal: \$736,212,000 Total: \$2,103,462,000 |
| 4. FL | Okaloosa County | October 7, 2021 | Federal: \$19,822,000 Non-Federal: \$11,535,000 Total: \$31,357,000 |
| 5. SC | Folly Beach | October 26, 2021 | Federal: \$45,490,000 Non-Federal: \$5,054,000 Total: \$50,544,000 |

| A. State | B. Name | C. Date of Report or Decision Document | D. Estimated Costs |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 6. FL | Pinellas County | October 29, 2021 | Federal: \$8,627,000 Non-Federal: \$5,332,000 Total: \$13,959,000 |
| 7. NY | South Shore of Staten Island, Fort Wads- worth to Oak- wood Beach | October 27, 2016 | Federal: \$371,310,000 Non-Federal: \$199,940,000 Total: \$571,250,000 |
| 8. LA | Upper Barataria Basin | January 28, 2022 | Federal: \$1,005,000,750 Non-Federal: \$541,154,250 Total: \$1,546,155,000 |

(2) Ecosystem restoration.—

| A. State | B. Name | C. Date of Report or Decision Document | D. Estimated Costs |
|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. CA | Prado Basin Eco- system Restora- tion, San Bernardino, Riverside and Orange Coun- ties | April 22, 2021 | Federal: \$29,838,000 Non-Federal: \$16,066,000 Total: \$45,904,000 |

2 (3) Coastal storm risk management and

3 ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION.—

| A. State | B. Name | C. Date of Report or Decision Document | D. Estimated Costs |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. TX | Coastal Texas Protection and Restoration Feasibility Study | September 16, 2021 | Federal: \$17,978,202,000 Non-Federal: \$10,894,929,000 Total: \$28,873,131,000 |

(4) Modifications and other projects.—

| A. State | B. Name | C. Date of Report or Decision Document | D. Estimated Costs |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. LA | Lake Pont- chartrain and Vicinity | December 16, 2021 | Federal: \$807,000,000 Non-Federal: \$434,000,000 Total: \$1,240,000,000 |
| 2. LA | West Bank and Vicinity | December 17, 2021 | Federal: \$431,000,000 Non-Federal: \$232,000,000 Total: \$663,000,000 |

2 SEC. 5. MODIFICATIONS.

(a) MISSISSIPPI RIVER GULF OUTLET, LOUISIANA.—
The Secretary shall carry out the project for ecosystem
restoration, Mississippi River Gulf Outlet, Louisiana, authorized by section 7013(a)(4) of the Water Resources Development Act of 2007 (121 Stat. 1281), at full Federal
expense.

9 (b) GREAT LAKES AND MISSISSIPPI RIVER
10 INTERBASIN PROJECT, BRANDON ROAD, WILL COUNTY,
11 ILLINOIS.—Section 402(a)(1) of the Water Resources De12 velopment Act of 2020 (134 Stat. 2742) is amended by
13 striking "80 percent" and inserting "100 percent".

14 (c) COST SHARE.—Section 213 of the Water Re15 sources Development Act of 2020 (134 Stat. 2687) is
16 amended by adding at the end the following:

17 "(j) COST SHARE.—The Secretary shall carry out the18 comprehensive study described in subsection (a), and any

feasibility study described in subsection (e), at full Federal
 expense.".

3 SEC. 6. REAUTHORIZATION OF CERTAIN BEACH NOURISH4 MENT PROJECTS.

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary is authorized to 6 continue periodic nourishment for the following projects 7 for coastal storm risk management for an additional pe-8 riod of 50 years:

9 (1) Delaware Coast Protection, Delaware (commonly known as the "Indian River Inlet Sand By11 pass Plant"), authorized by section 869 of the
12 Water Resources Development Act of 1986 (100
13 Stat. 4182).

14 (2) Segment II, Broward County, Florida, au15 thorized by section 301 of the River and Harbor Act
16 of 1965 (79 Stat. 1090).

17 (3) Segment III, Broward County, Florida, au18 thorized by section 301 of the River and Harbor Act
19 of 1965 (79 Stat. 1090).

20 (4) Dade County, Florida, authorized by section
21 203 of the Flood Control Act of 1968 (82 Stat.
22 740).

(5) Duval County, Florida, authorized by section 203 of the Flood Control Act of 1968 (82 Stat.
740).

(6) Tybee Island, Georgia, authorized by section
 201 of the Flood Control Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C.
 3 1962d-5).

4 (7) Delray Beach segment, Palm Beach Coun5 ty, Florida, authorized by section 101 of the River
6 and Harbor Act of 1962 (76 Stat. 1177).

7 (b) TIMING.—The additional 50 years provided for 8 a project under subsection (a) shall begin on the date of 9 expiration of the final period of periodic nourishment for 10 the project authorized prior to the date of enactment of 11 this Act.

12 (c) SPECIAL RULE.—For purposes of the project de-13 scribed in subsection (a)(1), periodic nourishment shall in-14 clude reimbursement of the Federal share of the cost to 15 the non-Federal interest for the project to operate and 16 maintain a sand bypass plant.

17 SEC. 7. SPECIAL RULE FOR CERTAIN BEACH NOURISH-18 MENT PROJECTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a water resources
development project described in subsection (b), the Secretary shall—

(1) fund, at full Federal expense, any incremental increase in cost to the project that results
from a legal requirement to use a borrow source de-

| 1 | termined by the Secretary to be other than the least- |
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| 2 | cost option; and |

3 (2) exclude the cost described in paragraph (1)
4 from the cost-benefit analysis for the project.

5 (b) AUTHORIZED WATER RESOURCES DEVELOP6 MENT PROJECTS DESCRIBED.—An authorized water re7 sources development project referred to in subsection (a)
8 is any of the following:

9 (1) The Townsends Inlet to Cape May Inlet, 10 New Jersey, coastal storm risk management project, 11 authorized by section 101(a)(26) of the Water Resources Development Act of 1999 (113 Stat. 278). 12 13 (2) The Folly Beach, South Carolina, coastal 14 storm risk management project, authorized by sec-15 tion 501(a) of the Water Resources Development 16 Act of 1986 (100 Stat. 4136) and modified by sec-17 tion 108 of the Energy and Water Development Ap-

(3) The Carolina Beach and Vicinity, North
Carolina, coastal storm risk management project,
authorized by section 203 of the Flood Control Act
of 1962 (76 Stat. 1182) and modified by section
401(7) of the Water Resources Development Act of
2020 (134 Stat. 2741).

propriations Act, 1992 (105 Stat. 520).

1 (4) The Wrightsville Beach, North Carolina, 2 coastal storm risk management project, authorized by section 203 of the Flood Control Act of 1962 (76 3 4 Stat. 1182) and modified by section 401(7) of the 5 Water Resources Development Act of 2020 (134) 6 Stat. 2741). 7 (5) A project for coastal storm risk manage-8 ment for any shore included in a project described 9 in this subsection that is specifically authorized by 10 Congress on or after the date of enactment of this 11 Act. 12 (6) Emergency repair and restoration of any 13 project described in this subsection under section 5 14 of the Act of August 18, 1941 (commonly known as 15 the "Flood Control Act of 1941") (55 Stat. 650, 16 chapter 377; 33 U.S.C. 701n). 17 SEC. 8. PROTECTION AND RESTORATION OF OTHER FED-18 ERAL LAND ALONG RIVERS AND COASTS. 19 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary is authorized to use 20 funds made available to the Secretary for water resources 21 development purposes to carry out, at full Federal ex-22 pense, a measure located on, or benefitting, Federal land 23 under the administrative jurisdiction of another Federal 24 agency, if the measure—

| 1 | (1)(A) is for purposes of ecosystem restoration |
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| 2 | or the protection and restoration of shores; and |
| 3 | (B)(i) utilizes dredged material from a water |
| 4 | resources development project beneficially; or |
| 5 | (ii) is included in a report of the Chief of Engi- |
| 6 | neers or other decision document for a water re- |
| 7 | sources development project that is specifically au- |
| 8 | thorized by Congress; |
| 9 | (2) is for purposes of mitigation of damages to |
| 10 | Federal land caused by a water resources develop- |
| 11 | ment project operated and maintained by the Sec- |
| 12 | retary; or |
| 13 | (3) is for purposes of mitigating damages to |
| 14 | fish and wildlife resources resulting from a water re- |
| 15 | sources development project. |
| 16 | (b) APPLICABILITY.—This section shall apply to a |
| 17 | measure for which construction is initiated after the date |
| 18 | of enactment of this Act. |
| 19 | (c) SAVINGS PROVISION.—Nothing in this section |
| 20 | precludes a Federal agency with administrative jurisdic- |
| 21 | tion over Federal land from contributing funds for any |
| 22 | portion of the cost of a measure described in subsection |
| 23 | (a) that is located on, or benefitting, that land. |
| 24 | (d) REPEAL.— |

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| 1 | (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1025 of the Water |
| 2 | Resources Reform and Development Act of 2014 (33 |
| 3 | U.S.C. 2226) is repealed. |
| 4 | (2) Conforming Amendment.—The table of |
| 5 | contents in section 1(b) of the Water Resources Re- |
| 6 | form and Development Act of 2014 (128 Stat. |
| 7 | 1193) is amended by striking the item relating to |
| 8 | section 1025. |
| 9 | SEC. 9. FLOOD AND COASTAL STORM RISK MANAGEMENT |
| 10 | |
| 10 | FEASIBILITY STUDIES. |
| 10 11 | FEASIBILITY STUDIES. In carrying out a feasibility study for flood or coastal |
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| 11 | In carrying out a feasibility study for flood or coastal |
| 11 12 | In carrying out a feasibility study for flood or coastal storm risk management, the Secretary, at the request of |
| 11 12 13 | In carrying out a feasibility study for flood or coastal storm risk management, the Secretary, at the request of the non-Federal interest for the study, shall formulate al- |
| 11 12 13 14 | In carrying out a feasibility study for flood or coastal storm risk management, the Secretary, at the request of the non-Federal interest for the study, shall formulate al- ternatives to maximize net benefits from the reduction of |
| 11 12 13 14 15 | In carrying out a feasibility study for flood or coastal storm risk management, the Secretary, at the request of the non-Federal interest for the study, shall formulate al- ternatives to maximize net benefits from the reduction of the comprehensive flood risk that results from the isolated |
| 11 12 13 14 15 16 | In carrying out a feasibility study for flood or coastal storm risk management, the Secretary, at the request of the non-Federal interest for the study, shall formulate al- ternatives to maximize net benefits from the reduction of the comprehensive flood risk that results from the isolated and compound effects of— |
| 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 | In carrying out a feasibility study for flood or coastal storm risk management, the Secretary, at the request of the non-Federal interest for the study, shall formulate al- ternatives to maximize net benefits from the reduction of the comprehensive flood risk that results from the isolated and compound effects of— (1) a riverine discharge of any magnitude or |

(3) a tide of any magnitude or frequency;

(4) a rainfall event of any magnitude or fre-quency;

24 (5) seasonal variation in water levels;

25 (6) groundwater emergence;

| 1 | (7) sea level rise; |
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| 2 | (8) subsidence; and |
| 3 | (9) any other driver of flood risk affecting the |
| 4 | study area. |
| 5 | SEC. 10. CREDIT IN LIEU OF REIMBURSEMENT. |
| 6 | (a) Section 1022 of the Water Resources Reform and |
| 7 | Development Act of 2014 (33 U.S.C. 2225) is amended— |
| 8 | (1) in subsection (a)— |
| 9 | (A) by striking "or" before "an authorized |
| 10 | coastal navigation project"; |
| 11 | (B) by inserting "or any other water re- |
| 12 | sources development project for which the Sec- |
| 13 | retary is authorized to reimburse the non-Fed- |
| 14 | eral interest for the Federal share of construc- |
| 15 | tion or operation and maintenance," before |
| 16 | "the Secretary"; and |
| 17 | (C) by striking "of the project" and insert- |
| 18 | ing "to construct, periodically nourish, or oper- |
| 19 | ate and maintain the project"; |
| 20 | (2) in each of subsections (b) and (c), by strik- |
| 21 | ing "flood damage reduction and coastal navigation" |
| 22 | each place it appears and inserting "water resources |
| 23 | development"; and |
| 24 | (3) by adding at the end the following: |

"(d) APPLICABILITY.—With respect to a project constructed under section 204 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 (33 U.S.C. 2232), the Secretary shall
exercise the authority under this section to apply credits
and reimbursements related to the project in a manner
consistent with the requirements of subsection (d) of that
section.".

8 (b) Section 7007(d) of the Water Resources Develop-9 ment Act of 2007 (121 Stat. 1277; 128 Stat. 1226) is amended by inserting ", or may be applied to reduce the 10 11 amounts required to be paid by the non-Federal interest 12 under the terms of the deferred payment agreements entered into between the Secretary and the non-Federal in-13 terest for the projects authorized by section 7012(a)(1)" 14 15 before the period at the end.

16 SEC. 11. COASTAL COST CALCULATIONS.

Section 152(a) of the Water Resources Development
Act of 2020 (33 U.S.C. 2213a(a)) is amended by inserting
"or coastal storm risk management" after "flood risk
management".

21 SEC. 12. ADVANCE PAYMENT IN LIEU OF REIMBURSEMENT

22 FOR CERTAIN FEDERAL COSTS.

The Secretary is authorized to provide in advance to
the non-Federal interest the Federal share of funds required for the acquisition of land, easements, and rights-

of-way and the performance of relocations for a project 1 2 or separable element— 3 (1) authorized to be constructed at full Federal 4 expense; or 5 (2) described in section 103(b)(2) of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 (33 U.S.C. 6 7 2213(b)(2)). 8 SEC. 13. COST-SHARING FOR NONSTRUCTURAL PROJECTS. 9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 103(b) of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986 (33 U.S.C. 2213(b)) is 10 11 amended-12 (1) in paragraph (1)— (A) in the first sentence, by striking "The" 13 14 and inserting "Except as provided in paragraph" 15 (3), the"; and (B) by striking "35 percent" each place it 16 17 appears and inserting "20 percent"; 18 (2) in paragraph (2)— 19 (A) in the paragraph heading, by striking "35 PERCENT" and inserting "REQUIRED NON-20 FEDERAL SHARE"; 21 22 (B) by striking "At any time" and insert-23 ing "Except as provided in paragraph (3), at any time"; 24

| 1 | (C) by striking "35 percent" and inserting |
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| 2 | "20 percent (or 10 percent, in the case of a |
| 3 | measure described in paragraph (3))"; and |
| 4 | (D) by striking "65 percent" and inserting |
| 5 | "80 percent (or 90 percent, in the case of a |
| 6 | measure described in paragraph (3))"; and |
| 7 | (3) by adding at the end the following: |
| 8 | "(3) CERTAIN PROJECTS.—The non-Federal |
| 9 | share of the cost of a measure described in para- |
| 10 | graph (1) that benefits an economically disadvan- |
| 11 | taged community (as defined pursuant to section |
| 12 | 160 of the Water Resources Development Act of |
| 13 | 2020 (33 U.S.C. 2201 note; Public Law 116–260)) |
| 14 | shall be 10 percent.". |
| 15 | (b) Application.—The amendments made by sub- |
| 16 | section (a) shall apply to— |
| 17 | (1) any project that is authorized on or after |
| 18 | the date of enactment of this Act; and |
| 19 | (2) any project that is not specifically author- |
| 20 | ized by Congress, for which— |
| 21 | (A) a Detailed Project Report is approved |
| 22 | after the date of enactment of this Act; or |
| 23 | (P) in the ease of a project for which no |
| | (B) in the case of a project for which no |

| 1 | tion is initiated after the date of enactment of |
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| 2 | this Act. |
| 3 | SEC. 14. COASTAL COMMUNITY FLOOD CONTROL AND |
| 4 | OTHER PURPOSES. |
| 5 | Section $103(k)(4)$ of the Water Resources Develop- |
| 6 | ment Act of 1986 (33 U.S.C. 2213(k)(4)) is amended— |
| 7 | (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) and |
| 8 | (B) as clauses (i) and (ii), respectively, and indent- |
| 9 | ing appropriately; |
| 10 | (2) in the matter preceding clause (i) (as so re- |
| 11 | designated), by striking "Notwithstanding" and in- |
| 12 | serting the following: |
| 13 | "(A) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding"; |
| 14 | (3) in subparagraph (A) (as so redesignated)— |
| 15 | (A) in clause (i) (as so redesignated)— |
| 16 | (i) by striking "\$200 million" and in- |
| 17 | serting "\$200,000,000"; and |
| 18 | (ii) by striking "and" at the end; |
| 19 | (B) in clause (ii) (as so redesignated)— |
| 20 | (i) by inserting "an amount equal to |
| 21 | ² / ₃ of" after "repays"; and |
| 22 | (ii) by striking the period at the end |
| 23 | and inserting "; and"; and |
| 24 | (C) by adding at the end the following: |

| 1 | "(iii) the non-Federal interest repays |
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| 2 | the balance of remaining principal by June |
| 3 | 1, 2032."; and |
| 4 | (4) by adding at the end the following: |
| 5 | "(B) Repayment options.—Repayment |
| 6 | of a non-Federal contribution under subpara- |
| 7 | graph (A)(iii) may be satisfied through the pro- |
| 8 | vision by the non-Federal interest of fish and |
| 9 | wildlife mitigation for one or more projects or |
| 10 | separable elements, if the Secretary determines |
| 11 | that— |
| 12 | "(i) the non-Federal interest has in- |
| 13 | curred costs for the provision of mitigation |
| 14 | that— |
| 15 | "(I) equal or exceed the amount |
| 16 | of the required repayment; and |
| 17 | "(II) are in excess of any re- |
| 18 | quired non-Federal contribution for |
| 19 | the project or separable element for |
| 20 | which the mitigation is provided; and |
| 21 | "(ii) the mitigation is integral to the |
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1SEC. 15. PORT FOURCHON, LOUISIANA, DREDGED MATE-2RIAL DISPOSAL PLAN.

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3 The Secretary shall determine that the dredged material disposal plan recommended in the document entitled 4 5 "Port Fourchon Belle Pass Channel Deepening Project Section 203 Feasibility Study (January 2019, revised 6 7 January 2020)" is the least cost, environmentally accept-8 able dredged material disposal plan for the project for 9 navigation, Port Fourchon Belle Passe Channel, Louisiana, authorized by section 403(a)(4) of the Water Re-10 sources Development Act of 2020 (134 Stat. 2743). 11

12 SEC. 16. DELAWARE SHORE PROTECTION AND RESTORA-13 TION.

14 (a) DELAWARE BENEFICIAL USE OF DREDGED MA15 TERIAL FOR THE DELAWARE RIVER, DELAWARE.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—The project for coastal
17 storm risk management, Delaware Beneficial Use of
18 Dredged Material for the Delaware River, Delaware,
19 authorized by section 401(3) of the Water Resources
20 Development Act of 2020 (134 Stat. 2736) (referred
21 to in this subsection as the "project"), is modified—

(A) to direct the Secretary to implement
the project using alternative borrow sources to
the Delaware River, Philadelphia to the Sea,
project, Delaware, New Jersey, Pennsylvania,
authorized by the Act of June 25, 1910 (chap-

| 1 | ter 382, 36 Stat. 637; 46 Stat. 921; 52 Stat. |
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| 2 | 803; 59 Stat. 14; 68 Stat. 1249; 72 Stat. 297); |
| 3 | and |
| 4 | (B) until the Secretary implements the |
| 5 | modification under subparagraph (A), to au- |
| 6 | thorize the Secretary, at the request of a non- |
| 7 | Federal interest, to carry out initial construc- |
| 8 | tion or periodic nourishments at any site in- |
| 9 | cluded in the project under— |
| 10 | (i) section 1122 of the Water Re- |
| 11 | sources Development Act of 2016 (33 |
| 12 | U.S.C. 2326 note; Public Law 114–322); |
| 13 | or |
| 14 | (ii) section 204(d) of the Water Re- |
| 15 | sources Development Act of 1992 (33 |
| 16 | U.S.C. 2326(d)). |
| 17 | (2) TREATMENT.—If the Secretary determines |
| 18 | that a study is required to carry out paragraph |
| 19 | (1)(A), the study shall be considered to be a con- |
| 20 | tinuation of the study that formulated the project. |
| 21 | (b) Indian River Inlet Sand Bypass Plant, |
| 22 | DELAWARE.— |
| 23 | (1) IN GENERAL.—The Indian River Inlet Sand |
| 24 | Bypass Plant, Delaware, coastal storm risk manage- |
| 25 | ment project (referred to in this subsection as the |

| 1 | "project"), authorized by section 869 of the Water |
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| 2 | Resources Development Act of 1986 (100 Stat. |
| 3 | 4182), is modified to authorize the Secretary, at the |
| 4 | request of a non-Federal interest, to provide periodic |
| 5 | nourishment through dedicated dredging or other |
| 6 | means to maintain or restore the functioning of the |
| 7 | project when— |
| 8 | (A) the sand bypass plant is inoperative; or |
| 9 | (B) operation of the sand bypass plant is |
| 10 | insufficient to maintain the functioning of the |
| 11 | project. |
| 12 | (2) REQUIREMENTS.—A cycle of periodic nour- |
| 13 | ishment provided pursuant to paragraph (1) shall be |
| 14 | subject to the following requirements: |
| 15 | (A) COST-SHARE.—The non-Federal share |
| 16 | of the cost of a cycle shall be the same percent- |
| 17 | age as the non-Federal share of the cost to op- |
| 18 | erate the sand bypass plant. |
| 19 | (B) DECISION DOCUMENT.—If the Sec- |
| 20 | retary determines that a decision document is |
| 21 | required to support a request for funding for |
| 22 | the Federal share of a cycle, the decision docu- |
| 23 | ment may be prepared using funds made avail- |
| 24 | able to the Secretary for construction or for in- |
| 25 | vestigations. |

| 1 | (C) TREATMENT.— |
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| 2 | (i) Decision document.—A decision |
| 3 | document prepared under subparagraph |
| 4 | (B) shall not be subject to a new invest- |
| 5 | ment determination. |
| 6 | (ii) CYCLES.—A cycle shall be consid- |
| 7 | ered continuing construction. |
| 8 | (c) Delaware Emergency Shore Restora- |
| 9 | TION.— |
| 10 | (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary is authorized |
| 11 | to construct, repair, or restore a federally authorized |
| 12 | hurricane or shore protective structure or project lo- |
| 13 | cated in the State of Delaware pursuant to section |
| 14 | 5(a) of the Act of August 18, 1941 (commonly |
| 15 | known as the "Flood Control Act of 1941") (55 |
| 16 | Stat. 650, chapter 377; 33 U.S.C. 701n(a)), if— |
| 17 | (A) the structure, project, or shore is dam- |
| 18 | aged by wind, wave, or water action associated |
| 19 | with a storm of any magnitude; and |
| 20 | (B) the damage prevents the adequate |
| 21 | functioning of the structure, project, or shore. |
| 22 | (2) BENEFIT-COST ANALYSIS.—The Secretary |
| 23 | shall determine that the benefits attributable to the |
| 24 | objectives set forth in section 209 of the Flood Con- |
| 25 | trol Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. 1962–2) and section |

904(a) of the Water Resources Development Act of
 1986 (33 U.S.C. 2281(a)) exceed the cost for work
 carried out under this subsection.

4 (3) SAVINGS PROVISION.—The authority pro-5 vided by this subsection shall be in addition to any 6 authority provided by section 5(a) of the Act of Au-7 gust 18, 1941 (commonly known as the "Flood Con-8 trol Act of 1941") (55 Stat. 650, chapter 377; 33 9 U.S.C. 701n(a)) to repair or restore a federally au-10 thorized hurricane or shore protection structure or 11 project located in the State of Delaware damaged or 12 destroyed by wind, wave, or water action of other 13 than an ordinary nature.

14 (d) INDIAN RIVER INLET AND BAY, DELAWARE.— 15 In carrying out major maintenance of the project for navi-16 gation, Indian River Inlet and Bay, Delaware, authorized 17 by the Act of August 26, 1937 (50 Stat. 846, chapter 18 832), and section 2 of the Act of March 2, 1945 (59 Stat. 19 14, chapter 19), the Secretary shall repair, restore, or relocate any non-Federal facility or other infrastructure, 20 21 that has been damaged, in whole or in part, by the deterio-22 ration or failure of the project.

23 (e) Reprogramming for Coastal Storm Risk
24 Management Project at Indian River Inlet.—

| 1 | (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other |
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| 2 | provision of law, for each fiscal year, the Secretary |
| 3 | may reprogram amounts made available for a coastal |
| 4 | storm risk management project to use such amounts |
| 5 | for the project for coastal storm risk management, |
| 6 | Indian River Inlet Sand Bypass Plant, Delaware, |
| 7 | authorized by section 869 of the Water Resources |
| 8 | Development Act of 1986 (100 Stat. 4182). |
| 9 | (2) Limitations.— |
| 10 | (A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may |
| 11 | carry out not more than 2 reprogramming ac- |
| 12 | tions under paragraph (1) for each fiscal year. |
| 13 | (B) AMOUNT.—For each fiscal year, the |
| 14 | Secretary may reprogram— |
| 15 | (i) not more than \$100,000 per re- |
| 16 | programming action; and |
| 17 | (ii) not more than \$200,000 for each |
| 18 | fiscal year. |
| 19 | SEC. 17. GREAT LAKES ADVANCE MEASURES ASSISTANCE. |
| 20 | The following requirements shall apply to the provi- |
| 21 | sion of advance measures assistance under section 5(a) of |
| 22 | the Act of August 18, 1941 (commonly known as the |
| 23 | "Flood Control Act of 1941") (55 Stat. 650, chapter 377; |
| 24 | 33 U.S.C. 701n(a)), in the Great Lakes Region: |

(1) The Secretary shall not deny a request from
 the Governor of a State to provide advance measures
 assistance to reduce the risk of damage from rising
 water levels in the Great Lakes solely on the basis
 that the damage is caused by erosion.

6 (2) Advance measures assistance provided by
7 the Secretary to reduce the risk of damage from ris8 ing water levels in the Great Lakes shall be provided
9 at full Federal expense.

10 SEC. 18. FORECASTING MODELS FOR THE GREAT LAKES.

(a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary for the
Engineer Research and Development Center to complete
and maintain a model suite to forecast water levels, account for lake level variability, and account for the impacts
of climate change in the Great Lakes—

17 (1) \$10,000,000 to complete the model suite;18 and

(2) \$250,000 for each fiscal year following the
fiscal year during which the model suite is completed, for maintenance of the model suite.

(b) SAVINGS PROVISION.—Nothing in this section
precludes the Secretary from using funds made available
under the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative established
by section 118(c)(7) of the Federal Water Pollution Con-

trol Act (33 U.S.C. 1268(c)(7)) for activities described in
 subsection (a), if funds are not appropriated for those ac tivities pursuant to subsection (a).

4 SEC. 19. CHATTAHOOCHEE RIVER PROGRAM.

5 (a) Establishment.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish
7 a program to provide environmental assistance to
8 non-Federal interests in the Chattahoochee River
9 Basin.

10 (2) FORM.—The assistance under paragraph 11 (1) shall be in the form of design and construction 12 assistance for water-related resource protection and 13 restoration projects affecting the Chattahoochee 14 River Basin, based on the comprehensive plan under 15 subsection (b), including projects for—

- 16 (A) sediment and erosion control;
- 17 (B) protection of eroding shorelines;
- 18 (C) ecosystem restoration, including res-19 toration of submerged aquatic vegetation;
- 20 (D) protection of essential public works;
 21 (E) beneficial uses of dredged material;
 - and
- 23 (F) other related projects that may en24 hance the living resources of the Chattahoochee
 25 River Basin.

1 (b) Comprehensive Plan.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after
the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary, in
cooperation with State and local governmental officials and affected stakeholders, shall develop a comprehensive Chattahoochee River Basin restoration
plan to guide the implementation of projects under
subsection (a)(2).

9 (2) COORDINATION.—The restoration plan de-10 scribed in paragraph (1) shall, to the maximum ex-11 tent practicable, consider and avoid duplication of 12 any ongoing or planned actions of other Federal, 13 State, and local agencies and nongovernmental orga-14 nizations.

(3) PRIORITIZATION.—The restoration plan described in paragraph (1) shall give priority to
projects eligible under subsection (a)(2) that will
also improve water quality or quantity or use natural hydrological features and systems.

20 (c) AGREEMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Before providing assistance
under this section, the Secretary shall enter into an
agreement with a non-Federal interest for the design
and construction of a project carried out pursuant to

| 1 | the comprehensive Chattahoochee River Basin res- |
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| 2 | toration plan described in subsection (b). |
| 3 | (2) REQUIREMENTS.—Each agreement entered |
| 4 | into under this subsection shall provide for— |
| 5 | (A) the development by the Secretary, in |
| 6 | consultation with appropriate Federal, State, |
| 7 | and local officials, of a resource protection and |
| 8 | restoration plan, including appropriate engi- |
| 9 | neering plans and specifications and an esti- |
| 10 | mate of expected resource benefits; and |
| 11 | (B) the establishment of such legal and in- |
| 12 | stitutional structures as are necessary to ensure |
| 13 | the effective long-term operation and mainte- |
| 14 | nance of the project by the non-Federal inter- |
| 15 | est. |
| 16 | (d) Cost Sharing.— |
| 17 | (1) FEDERAL SHARE.—Except as provided in |
| 18 | paragraph (2)(B), the Federal share of the total |
| 19 | project costs of each agreement entered into under |
| 20 | this section shall be 80 percent. |
| 21 | (2) Non-federal share.— |
| 22 | (A) VALUE OF LAND, EASEMENTS, |
| 23 | RIGHTS-OF-WAY, AND RELOCATIONS.—In deter- |
| 24 | mining the non-Federal contribution toward |
| 25 | carrying out an agreement entered into under |

| 1 | this section, the Secretary shall provide credit |
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| 2 | to a non-Federal interest for the value of land, |
| 3 | easements, rights-of-way, and relocations pro- |
| 4 | vided by the non-Federal interest, except that |
| 5 | the amount of credit provided for a project |
| 6 | under this paragraph may not exceed 20 per- |
| 7 | cent of the total project costs. |
| 8 | (B) OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE |
| 9 | COSTS.—The non-Federal share of the costs of |
| 10 | operation and maintenance of activities carried |
| 11 | out under an agreement under this section shall |
| 12 | be 100 percent. |
| 13 | (e) COOPERATION.—In carrying out this section, the |
| 14 | Secretary shall cooperate with— |
| 15 | (1) the heads of appropriate Federal agencies, |
| 16 | including— |
| 17 | (A) the Administrator of the Environ- |
| 18 | mental Protection Agency; |
| 19 | (B) the Secretary of Commerce, acting |
| 20 | through the Administrator of the National Oce- |
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| <u> </u> | anic and Atmospheric Administration; |
| 22 | anic and Atmospheric Administration; (C) the Secretary of the Interior, acting |
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(D) the heads of such other Federal agen cies as the Secretary determines to be appro priate; and

4 (2) agencies of a State or political subdivision5 of a State.

6 (f) PROTECTION OF RESOURCES.—A project estab7 lished under this section shall be carried out using such
8 measures as are necessary to protect environmental, his9 toric, and cultural resources.

(g) PROJECT CAP.—The total cost of a project carried out under this section may not exceed \$15,000,000.
(h) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is

13 authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section14 \$90,000,000.

15 SEC. 20. MISSISSIPPI RIVER MAT SINKING UNIT.

16 The Secretary shall expedite the replacement of the17 Mississippi River mat sinking unit.

18 SEC. 21. REHABILITATION OF EXISTING LEVEES.

19 Section 3017 of the Water Resources Reform and De-20 velopment Act of 2014 (33 U.S.C. 3303a note; Public Law

21 113–121) is amended by striking subsection (e).