

North American Concrete Alliance

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The Honorable Charles Schumer
Majority Leader
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Minority Leader
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Leader Schumer and Leader McConnell:

The North American Concrete Alliance (NACA), a coalition of concrete-related trade associations, commends the bipartisan group of more than 20 Senators and the Biden Administration on finding common ground and reaching an agreement on a historic framework to invest \$1.2 trillion in the nation's infrastructure. Investing in and modernizing our nation's infrastructure is critical to the long-term economic growth of the country.

Cement and concrete product manufacturing, directly and indirectly, employs approximately 600,000 people in our country, and our collective industries contribute over \$100 billion to our economy. Cement and concrete is used in the construction of a broad range of infrastructure projects, including highways, bridges, tunnels, mass transit, rail, airports, and water infrastructure. Our members also rely on a well-functioning freight network, including rail and waterways, and federal and state highway systems, to deliver our products in a timely and safe manner.

We urge the Senate to swiftly consider and pass legislation reflecting the bipartisan framework to invest in the nation's infrastructure. Enacting significant infrastructure legislation will not only address years of underinvestment in the nation's roads, bridges, mass transit, rail, ports, and water infrastructure but also spur economic growth and job creation in communities across the country. Additionally, increased investment in infrastructure is essential to our nation's global competitiveness.

NACA looks forward to working with you to pass this landmark legislation that will spur economic growth while also addressing years of underinvestment in infrastructure across the country.

Sincerely,

American Concrete Pavement Association
American Concrete Pipe Association
American Concrete Pressure Pipe Association
American Concrete Pumping Association
Concrete Foundations Association
Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute

National Concrete Masonry Association
National Precast Concrete Association
National Ready Mixed Concrete Association
Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute
Portland Cement Association
Tilt-Up Concrete Association

Cc: All members of the U.S. Senate