

September 25, 2025

The Honorable Chairman Bruce Westerman House Natural Resources Committee 1324-A Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Westerman,

On behalf of our 70 member companies, the Geosynthetic Materials Association (GMA) enthusiastically supports H.R.4776, the Standardizing Permitting and Expediting Economic Development (SPEED) Act. We thank you for spearheading a common-sense solution to streamline the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) permitting process by mitigating time-consuming and costly litigation that delays America's critical infrastructure and construction projects. The Geosynthetic Materials Association has long supported meaningful NEPA reform and welcomes your leadership.

The geosynthetic industry provides more than 16,000 U.S. jobs in all 50 states and U.S. territories, including manufacturing, fabrication, distribution, and installation. The geosynthetics industry provides \$2.7 billion to the U.S. economy. Geosynthetic materials are a critical and proven element of the transportation construction industry as they deliver cost savings, sustainability, and longevity for various civil infrastructure applications. Geosynthetics can be deployed faster than traditional materials, resulting in accelerated project delivery and decreased congestion.

Sincerely,

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