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TO: WESTCAS Membership

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SUBJECT: National Waterways Conference Letter to CEQ

You will recall that WESTCAS recently sent a letter to CEQ expressing concerns over the direction of its "Principals and Guidelines" Executive Order. This letter was created by Kelly Collins and Jim Brezack, with final edits by Bob Hollander.

We have attached, FYI, the letter sent yesterday by the National Waterways Conference on the same subject. Many of you will recall the presentation by the Alliance at the 2009 WESTCAS Tucson conference.

National Waterways Conference Board Chairman, Fred Caver, will be making a presentation at the upcoming conference in Fort Worth to outline NWC's concerns over CEQ and also to discuss ways that water resources organizations can work in alliance even though at first glance our missions may appear to be dissimilar. The environmental community shows us every day the value of working together on common issues. Partnering with groups like the NWC could be a useful path forward for WESTCAS and the water resources community.

This will be both an important presentation and also an opportunity to speak one on one with Fred Caver. If you haven't made your reservations for the conference yet, this should be just another reason to join us in Fort Worth.

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