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TO: WESTCAS Membership

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SUBJECT: EPA, Corps of Engineer, Bureau of Reclamation FY17 Appropriations Highlights

FY17 began seven months ago today. But it was not until this weekend that a budget deal was reached bringing the FY17 appropriations cycle to a close. This was done via agreement for an omnibus bill containing 12 difference Divisions that addressed each of the 12 unpassed Appropriations subcommittee bills. This package will be considered by first the House and then the Senate and almost certainly signed into law by President Trump before the expiration of the current Continuing Resolution this Friday.

Despite concerns that the omnibus might include drastic cuts in water infrastructure funding, this proved not to be the case. It must be remembered that the Obama Administration made these official budget requests in February of 2016. The Trump Administration assumed the leadership of the Executive branch of government on January 20, with the final budget agreement being announced this morning. The first true Trump budget will be when the President releases details of his FY18 proposed budget which should be in the very near future.

Here are some budget highlights for program of interest to WESTCAS members:

	FY16 Enacted	FY17 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill Versus Request
USEPA CW SRF	\$1,393,887,000	\$979,500,000	\$1,393,887,000	+\$414,387,000
USEPA DW SRF	\$863,233,000	\$1,020,500,000	\$863,233,000	-157,267,000
Corps of Engineers Studies	\$121,000,000	\$85,000,000	\$121,000,000	+36,000,000
Corps of Engineers Construction	\$1,862,000,250	\$1,090,000,000	\$1,876,000,000	+\$786,000,000
Bureau of Reclamation Water & Related Resc.	\$1,118,972,000	\$813,402,000	\$1,156,894,000	+\$342,492,000

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