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TO: WESTCAS Membership

FROM: Hicks-Ray Associates

SUBJECT: Brief Updates on the President’s Proposed FY16 Budget

President Obama’s proposed FY16 budget to Congress is being released today. This is for the budget year that begins October 1, 2015 and lasts through September 30, 2016. This is a huge $4.0 trillion document broken down into spending for all Federal agencies.

We look forward to breaking down the budget in further reports delivered to you prior to the Phoenix Issues Workshop on February 19-20. Our goal is for you to have this information so it can be thoroughly discussed and an appropriate WESTCAS policy response be developed.

Although the proposed FY16 budget has been associated with the Administration’s call for higher spending on infrastructure, this spending is hard to find in the accounts that fund water infrastructure.

USEPA

$907,000,000--FY15 Drinking Water SRF
$1,186,000,000—Proposed FY16 spending

$1,449,000,000—FY15 Clean Water SRF
$1,116,000,000—Proposed FY16 spending

Corps of Engineers

$122,000,000—FY15 Corps Investigations
$ 80,000,000—Proposed FY16 spending

$1,640,000,000—FY15 Corps Construction
$1,172,000,000—Proposed FY16 spending

Bureau of Reclamation

$978,131,000—FY15 Bureau of Reclamation Water and Related Resources
$805,200,000—Proposed FY 16 spending