

119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. KELLY (for himself and Ms. LUMMIS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Community Water
5 Project Acceleration Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. CATEGORICAL EXCLUSIONS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
8 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Army
9 shall designate as an action categorically excluded from
10 the requirements relating to environmental assessments or

1 environmental impact statements under the National En-
2 vironmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.)
3 any water resources development project—

4 (1) carried out under—

5 (A) a continuing authority program (as de-
6 fined in section 7001(e)(1)(D) of the Water Re-
7 sources Reform and Development Act of 2014
8 (33 U.S.C. 2282d(e)(1)(D))); or

9 (B) an environmental infrastructure assist-
10 ance program;

11 (2) for which the construction work will be per-
12 formed by the non-Federal sponsor; and

13 (3)(A) the Federal share of the cost of which is
14 less than \$6,000,000; or

15 (B) the Federal share of the cost of which is
16 less than 15 percent and the total project cost of
17 which is not more than \$35,000,000.

18 (b) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 150 days after
19 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the
20 Army shall promulgate regulations to carry out subsection
21 (a).