

1 forth in the President’s budget baseline projection as
2 defined in section 257 of the Balanced Budget and
3 Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (Public Law
4 99–177) for that fiscal year submitted pursuant to
5 section 1105 of title 31, United States Code.

6 **SEC. 2008. FUNDING TO PROCESS PERMITS.**

7 Section 214 of the Water Resources Development Act
8 of 2000 (33 U.S.C. 2201 note; 114 Stat. 2594; 119 Stat.
9 2169; 120 Stat. 318; 120 Stat. 3197; 121 Stat. 1067; 123
10 Stat. 3478) is amended—

11 (1) in subsection (a) by striking “permits under
12 the jurisdiction” and inserting “permits of such enti-
13 ties related to projects for a public purpose under
14 the jurisdiction”;

15 (2) by redesignating subsection (c) as sub-
16 section (e);

17 (3) by striking subsection (b) and inserting the
18 following:

19 “(b) EFFECT ON PERMITTING.—

20 “(1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out this sec-
21 tion, the Secretary shall ensure that the use of funds
22 accepted under subsection (a) will not impact impar-
23 tial decision-making with respect to permits, either
24 substantively or procedurally.

1 “(2) IMPARTIAL DECISIONMAKING.—In carrying
2 out this section, the Secretary shall ensure that the
3 evaluation of permits carried out using funds accept-
4 ed under this section shall—

5 “(A) be reviewed by the District Com-
6 mander of the Corps District in which the
7 project or activity is located, unless the evalua-
8 tion of the permit is initially conducted by the
9 District Commander whereby the review shall
10 be conducted by the Commander of the Corps
11 Division in which the District is located; and

12 “(B) utilize the same procedures for deci-
13 sions that would otherwise be required for the
14 evaluation of permits for similar projects or ac-
15 tivities not carried out using funds authorized
16 under this section.

17 “(c) LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS.—None of the
18 funds accepted under this section shall be used to carry
19 out a review of the evaluation of permits required under
20 subsection (b)(2)(A).

21 “(d) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The Secretary shall en-
22 sure that all final permit decisions carried out using funds
23 authorized under this section are made available to the
24 public, including on the Internet.”; and

1 (4) in subsection (e) (as redesignated), by strik-
2 ing “2010” and inserting “2016”.

3 **SEC. 2009. PROJECT MODIFICATIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT**
4 **OF ENVIRONMENT.**

5 Section 1135(d) of the Water Resources Development
6 Act of 1986 (33 U.S.C. 2309a(d)) is amended by striking
7 “\$5,000,000” and inserting “\$10,000,000”.

8 **SEC. 2010. AQUATIC ECOSYSTEM AND ESTUARY RESTORA-**
9 **TION.**

10 Section 206(d) of the Water Resources Development
11 Act of 1996 (33 U.S.C. 2330(d)) is amended by striking
12 “\$5,000,000” and inserting “\$10,000,000”.

13 **SEC. 2011. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF NAVIGATION**
14 **AND HYDROELECTRIC FACILITIES.**

15 Section 314 of the Water Resources Development Act
16 of 1990 (33 U.S.C. 2321) is amended to read as follows:

17 **“SEC. 314. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF NAVIGATION**
18 **AND HYDROELECTRIC FACILITIES.**

19 “Activities currently performed by personnel under
20 the direction of the Secretary in connection with the oper-
21 ation and maintenance of navigation or hydroelectric
22 power generating facilities, including all personnel under
23 the direction of the Secretary in connection with the oper-
24 ation and maintenance of navigational infrastructure such
25 as floodgates, locks, and dams, at Corps of Engineers