Congress has made unprecedented investments to incentivize new resilient American infrastructure, with as much as $2 trillion now available to fix our crumbling transportation infrastructure, invest in clean energy, and reshore critical manufacturing. Yet such projects are hampered by the outdated permitting process—keeping those investments on the sidelines and impeding necessary improvements.

Everything from highways to renewable energy, pipelines to mining, and broadband to chip manufacturing are being impacted.

The U.S. Chamber’s Permit America to Build initiative brought together over 350 organizations—representing every sector of our economy and corner of the country—to encourage Congress to pass meaningful, durable permitting reform legislation. While our advocacy helped spur the most significant updates to the permitting process in 50 years as part of the debt ceiling agreement, there’s much more to be done. We continue to work toward meaningful comprehensive reforms.

It takes too long to build things in America. Projects to address critical needs for transportation, energy, water, broadband and other priorities find themselves stuck in process and legal delays caused by America’s outdated permitting system—threatening the economy and diminishing our global competitiveness.

Our coalition believes that a modernized permitting process requires:

**Predictability**
Project developers and financers must have an appropriate level of certainty regarding the scope and timeline for project reviews, including any related judicial review.

**Efficiency**
Interagency coordination must be improved to optimize public and private resources while driving better environmental and community outcomes.

**Transparency**
Project sponsors and the public must have visibility into the project permitting milestones and schedule through an easily accessible public means.

**Stakeholder Input**
All relevant stakeholders must be adequately informed and have the opportunity to provide input within a reasonable and consistent timeframe.

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