

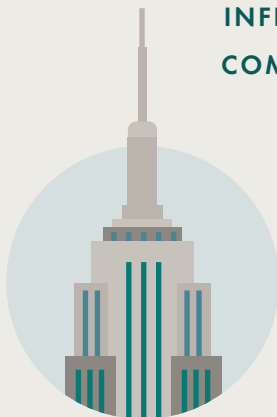
STREAMLINING THE PERMITTING PROCESS

Every year, large scale infrastructure projects are carefully planned and funded, representing thousands of potential jobs and billions of dollars for the U.S. economy. Yet many of these projects remain uncompleted, caught in a dysfunctional federal permitting system. Here's one way to streamline this process:

ESTABLISH REVIEW DEADLINES

Too often, there is no deadline for a federal agency to review and decide upon a permit application. This can cause projects to languish for years, costing permit seekers time, money, and opportunity.

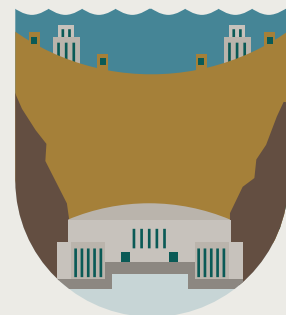
INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS USED TO HAVE A CLEAR PATH TO COMPLETION. THESE ICONIC PROJECTS WERE BUILT QUICKLY:



EMPIRE STATE
13.5 MONTHS



PENTAGON
1.5 YEARS



HOOVER DAM
4 YEARS

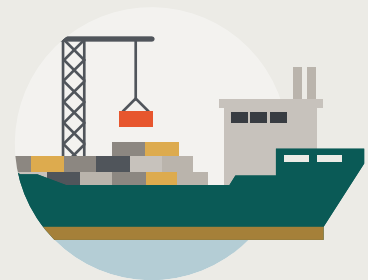
IN TODAY'S PERMITTING CLIMATE, HOWEVER, WITH NO HARD DEADLINES FOR APPROVAL, SIMPLY GETTING STARTED CAN TAKE YEARS:



BEAUFORT SEA OIL EXPLORATION
7 YEARS



CAPE WIND FARM
10+ YEARS



PORT OF SAVANNAH DREDGING
13 YEARS

Establishing consistent deadlines would ensure that agencies make decisions in a timely fashion, whether approving or denying an application.

LET'S GET OUR RULES RIGHT.

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