

Overview of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 and Path Forward

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Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018

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- Legislation passed on 9 FEB 18
- Studies are at full Federal expense
- CG funding will be provided in a single appropriation at full Federal expense with 30-yr Non-Federal Sponsor payback after completion of construction
- USACE has set up a National team to develop Implementation Guidance
- Potential funding scenarios for SWG studies and projects being developed
- List of studies/projects for funding is forthcoming

One Hundred Fifteenth Congress
of the
United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

*Began and held at the City of Washington on Wednesday,
the third day of January, two thousand and eighteen*

An Act

To amend title 4, United States Code, to provide for the flying of the flag at half-staff in the event of the death of a first responder in the line of duty.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018".

**DIVISION A—HONORING HOMETOWN
HEROES ACT**

SECTION 10101. SHORT TITLE.

This division may be cited as the "Honoring Hometown Heroes Act".

**SEC. 10102. PERMITTING THE FLAG TO BE FLOWN AT HALF-STAFF
IN THE EVENT OF THE DEATH OF A FIRST RESPONDER
SERVING IN THE LINE OF DUTY.**

(a) AMENDMENT.—The sixth sentence of section 7(m) of title 4, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking "or" after "possession of the United States" and inserting a comma;

(2) by inserting "or the death of a first responder working in any State, territory, or possession who dies while serving in the line of duty," after "while serving on active duty,";

(3) by striking "and" after "former officials of the District of Columbia" and inserting a comma; and

(4) by inserting before the period the following: ", and first responders working in the District of Columbia".

(b) FIRST RESPONDER DEFINED.—Such subsection is further amended—

(1) in paragraph (2), by striking ", United States Code; and" and inserting a semicolon;

(2) in paragraph (3), by striking the period at the end and inserting "; and"; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:
"(4) the term 'first responder' means a 'public safety officer' as defined in section 1204 of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10204)."

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply with respect to deaths of first responders occurring on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.



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Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 (cont)

- Studies/projects will require customized model agreements from Higher Authority for SWG to execute with NFSs
- Scenario planning required for executing Baseline, Supplemental, and Border Infrastructure Programs
- America's Infrastructure Program scenario?
- Need to create a tiered agency governance on regulation interpretations and cross-program coordination

