

1) Beneficial Purposes Authorization, Susquehanna River Basin Reservoirs

I respectfully request you modify the Flood Control Acts for the Susquehanna River Basin Reservoirs. The authorizations for U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' reservoirs in the Susquehanna River Basin, New York, Pennsylvania, and Maryland, authorized for flood control and other beneficial purposes, are modified to include mitigation of adverse impacts to downstream aquatic ecosystems during low flow conditions as a component of other beneficial purposes. The reservoirs include, but are not limited to, Foster Joseph Sayers Dam and Reservoir and Tioga-Hammond Lakes, Pennsylvania, authorized by the Flood Control Acts of 1954 (P.L. 83-780, Section 203) and 1958 (P.L. 85-500, Section 203), respectively.

2) Light's Fort, Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

I respectfully request a \$1 million authorization of this project. The Johannes Licht House, known as Light's Fort, is located on the corner of 11th and Maple Streets in Lebanon, PA. Built in 1742, it is the oldest house in Lebanon. The building, when first erected, was a large 30 ft. by 40 ft. two-story limestone dwelling around which was built a large stockade. The house had two-foot walls, a hip roof, and an arched cellar. Tradition and legend has it there were tunnels under the house and it was used as a worship meeting place for the Mennonites in the area. It is also believed to have housed 60 families during the French and Indian War raids. At one time a spring ran through the basement. Due to this groundwater movement, structural deficiencies in the basement walls developed, threatening the integrity of the historic building.

3) Wastewater Treatment Plant Infrastructure Improvement, City of Reading

I respectfully request a \$2.5 million authorization of this project. It is necessary to comply with Department of Justice Consent Decree. The wastewater treatment plant provides service to multiple communities and more than 120,000 customers. Improvements made at the plant will improve discharge levels to the Schuylkill River. The proposed project is a major undertaking that will impact the City and region for the foreseeable future. Due to the age and condition of existing treatment units, the hydraulic challenges associated with the patch work at the facility over the years, the desire to consolidate screening and grit removal operations, the impact of future environmental regulations, the need for security improvements, and the potential for improved efficiencies associated with new control systems, it is important that the City take a comprehensive approach with the wastewater treatment plant infrastructure.