



## CONGRESSIONAL EMAIL TEMPLATE

**Subject Line:** Protect \$24 Billion in Taxpayer Savings: Preserve the USACE Value Engineering Program

Dear [Representative/Senator Last Name],

I am writing as your constituent to urge you to immediately oppose the Department of War's decision to dissolve the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Value Engineering Program.

This decision eliminates a program that has delivered more than **\$24 billion in cost savings at a reported 200:1 return on investment**. It weakens accountability, increases the risk of wasteful spending, and removes one of the federal government's most effective tools for improving project performance and protecting taxpayer dollars.

The decision appears to conflict with federal requirements, including [Public Law 111-350](#) and [OMB Circular A-131](#), which require agencies to maintain Value Engineering programs and use them to improve efficiency and stewardship.

It is also inconsistent with the Administration's stated goals of reducing waste and increasing efficiency. [Executive Order 14271](#) directs agencies to leverage private-sector innovation and cost-effective solutions. Value Engineering is recognized as a best practice in both government and private industry. It should not be eliminated from one of the federal government's largest infrastructure organizations.

I respectfully ask that you:

- **Call on the Department of War to reverse this decision immediately.**
- Preserve the USACE Value Engineering Program and its staff.
- Defend taxpayer accountability and value in federally funded projects.

The federal government should be reinforcing tools that reduce waste, improve project delivery, and maximize value for taxpayers, not removing them.

Thank you for your leadership and immediate attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

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