



## ***A Powerful Coalition Advocating for River Transportation Infrastructure***

**WATERWAYS**  
COUNCIL, INC.



**Transportation:** America's inland river barges move 500 million tons\* of cargo annually, valued at \$158 billion. It's the least expensive, most energy-efficient, safest, environmentally-friendly mode of transporting commodities that Americans use every day - but it's reliant on outdated lock & dam infrastructure. \*2021, USACE

## **80% of locks are past their design life**

**Manufacturing:** Transporting America's commodities on the final legs of early 20th century infrastructure. River transportation can answer intermodal challenges - but market opportunities need modernized and maintained lock & dam infrastructure.



The national public policy organization advocating for the operation and maintenance, rehabilitation, and modernization of our inland waterways lock & dam infrastructure - that's **Waterways Council, Inc.**

**Action Alerts: Text LOCKS to 202-979-0993**

# YOUR Voice is Needed

## Advocating for Locks and Dams



**Agriculture Producers:** More than 60% of America's agriculture exports travel our inland rivers. Barges provide lowest-cost transportation. Locks & dams are critical in ensuring America's harvest is competitive in the global market.

**Construction Trades:** WCI works to create hundreds of millions of work hours in lock construction, rehabilitation, and maintenance. Family-wage jobs for America's carpenters, millrights, piledrivers, operating engineers, cement masons, plumbers and pipefitters, electricians, laborers, divers, iron workers, and other skilled trades will rebuild our lock & dam infrastructure.



**Energy Providers:** Keeping the lights on requires reliability from locks & dams to move America's energy resources by water. Adequately maintained and modernized locks will help ensure America's energy independence.

**Cruise Lines, Recreation, and Conservation:** A multi-use resource, our rivers and waterways require collaborative approaches to shape sound policies benefiting both people and river ecosystems. WCI partners with tourism, recreation, and conservation stakeholders to ensure reliable waterways infrastructure while benefiting river habitat.



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