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The Coalition for National Science Funding (CNSF) applauds the strong allocation for the National Science Foundation (NSF) provided by the House Science, Space and Technology Committee in the budget reconciliation bill, and urges Members to at least meet or ideally increase the level of funding for NSF in the final bill.

As the foundation of the nation's scientific enterprise, NSF-funded research leads to the cutting-edge technologies and innovations that drive our economy, protect our national security, improve societal health and well-being, and vital education and training of the next-generation scientific workforce. Providing additional funds for NSF in the reconciliation bill would allow the agency to fund the numerous highly meritorious research proposals that currently cannot be awarded due to insufficient funds, invest in the growing backlog of research infrastructure maintenance, and ensure that researchers impacted by COVID-related delays are made whole.