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President Biden’s Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to Provide \$25.5 Million for Water Efficiency Projects in Eight Western States

Investments will fund water efficiency and drought resilience projects in California, Colorado, Idaho, Oklahoma, Texas, Utah, Washington and Wyoming

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A canal running through central Washington. Fourteen projects in eight states will receive \$25.5 million in Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funding.

WASHINGTON – The Department of the Interior today announced \$25.5 million in Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funds for WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Grants to safeguard local water supplies in the face of severe western drought.

Fourteen projects in eight western states will be awarded funding to help local communities improve water use efficiency by lining canals, upgrading water meters, installing automated gates to control water flow and making other infrastructure improvements. The projects are anticipated to save more than 12

billion gallons of water annually – enough to fill over roughly 880,000 swimming pools. The funding will support water conservation reductions in residential water use and improvements to increase irrigation efficiency.

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the projects will also receive funding for solar energy installations to power the affiliated water facility and water district buildings. Including non-federal funding contributions, the projects represent more than \$130 million in water management improvements.


"Through President Biden’s Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, we are making a historic investment in drought resilience and water infrastructure to help more families, farmers and Tribes gain access to clean water," said **Assistant Secretary for Water and Science Tanya Trujillo**. "The WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Grants will help communities conserve and use water more efficiency, increase the production of hydropower and help us tackle historic drought."

"Delivering water more efficiently is key to helping Western communities become more resilient to drought. These community-led projects are an example of how the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law supports our work to minimize drought impacts and develop long-term solutions to facilitate water conservation and economic growth." said **Commissioner Camille Calimlim Touton**. "These grants represent a once in a generation opportunity to meet the long-term adaptation for drought and a changing climate."

President Biden’s Bipartisan Infrastructure Law allocates \$8.3 billion for Bureau of Reclamation water infrastructure projects to repair aging water delivery systems, secure dams, complete rural water projects, protect aquatic ecosystems and fulfill Indian Water Rights Settlements. The funding announced today is part of the \$160 million in WaterSMART grants provided by the Law in 2022. Local governments in eight states set to receive funding must complete their project within three years.

The projects selected are:

Recipient	State	Title	Federal Funding
City of Corona	CA	Advanced Metering Infrastructure Program	\$2 million
Metropolitan Water District of Southern California	CA	Regional Public Agency Turf Replacement Program	\$2 million
North Kern Water Storage District	CA	Calloway Canal Lining	\$2 million
City of Rialto	CA	Advanced Metering Infrastructure Implementation Project	\$2 million

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Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency	CA	Automated Metering Infrastructure Project (Phase 1)	\$2 million
Sutter Mutual Water Company	CA	Irrigation Efficiency Upgrades and Water Savings SCADA and Automated Water Delivery Systems	\$1 million
City of Greeley	CO	Greeley AMI Meter Installation Project	\$2 million
North Side Pumping Company	ID	Pumping Plant Elimination and Canal Abandonment Project	\$2 million
City of Norman/Norman Utilities Authority	OK	Norman Utilities Authority Advanced Metering Infrastructure Implementation Project	\$2 million
El Paso County Water Improvement District No. 1	TX	Riverside Canal Concrete Lining Project (Phase IV)	\$1 million
Davis & Weber Counties Canal Company	UT	Canal Enclosure and Solar Energy Project	\$1.5 million
Weber Basin Water Conservancy District	UT	Upper Willard Canal Lining Project (Phase 8)	\$2 million
Kennewick Irrigation District	WA	2022 Canal Lining and Water Conservation Project	\$2 million
Owl Creek Irrigation District	WY	Owl Creek Irrigation District Water Delivery and Efficiency Improvement Project	\$2 million

For more than 100 years, Reclamation and its partners have developed sustainable water and power solutions for the West. This funding is part of the Department of the Interior's WaterSMART Program, which focuses on collaborative efforts to plan and implement actions to increase water supply sustainability, including investments to modernize infrastructure.

Find out more information, including details about other current opportunities to apply for funding available under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, on [Reclamation's WaterSMART program webpage](#).



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