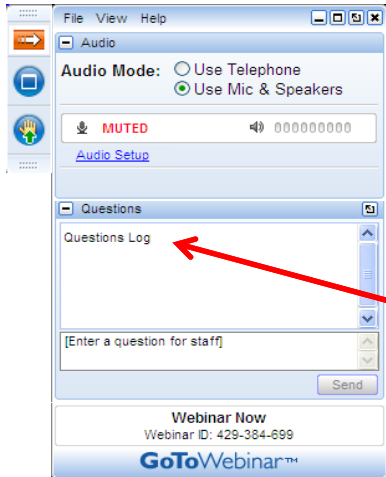


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Presentation Overview

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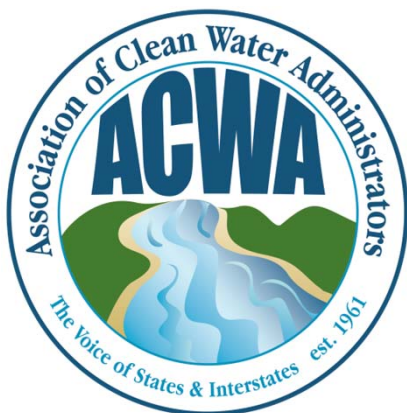
Status of Federal Government

- Update – What do we know so far:
 - Implications to EPA Staff and Services
 - Implications to Grants and Contracts
 - More Shutdown Information:
 - <https://www.wef.org/advocacy/legislative-and-regulatory-affairs/u.s.-government-shutdown/>
- Potential Impact on States:
 - Guest speaker: Julia Anastasio



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Recent & Pending Regulatory Issues

- **Waters of the United States (aka WOTUS):**
 - Due to the lapse in appropriations for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), EPA and the Department of the Army (Army) will postpone the planned January 23 public hearing on the proposed new "Waters of the United States" definition until after appropriations have passed to fund the EPA. Publication of the proposed rule in the Federal Register is also postponed.
 - A notification of public hearing was issued in the Federal Register on December 28, 2018 to hold a hearing in Kansas City, Kansas. EPA and Army will notify the public of the revised date for the public hearing, the start of the public comment period, public webcast and other outreach activities after appropriations have passed. Information on the status of the public hearing will be posted on the EPA website at <https://www.epa.gov/wotus-rule/revised-definition-waters-united-states-proposed-rule>.



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County of Maui, Hawaii, PETITIONER v. Hawaii Wildlife Fund, ET AL.

- **QUESTIONS PRESENTED**

1. Whether a “discharge of a pollutant,” 33 U.S.C. 1362(12), occurs when a pollutant is released from a point source, travels through groundwater, and ultimately migrates to navigable waters.
2. Whether the Court should grant certiorari to address the other issues on which petitioners seek review.
3. Filed January 2019



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Expected Regulatory Issues

- Blending Rulemaking
- Affordability
- Nutrients Survey



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Congressional Update

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WRDA 2018

S. 3021, America's Water Infrastructure Act

Includes:

- WIFIA reauthorization* (\$50M/yr) w/ SRF benefits
- Stormwater Infrastructure Funding Task Force*
- Grants for climate change adaptation*
- Grants (\$1M/yr) for water workforce development*
- Grants (\$225M/yr) to states for stormwater, CSO, SSO infrastructure projects for reuse and recycling
- Grants (\$25M/year for 2 years) to non-profit entities for technical assistance to POTWs
- WaterSense Program Authorization
- Drinking Water SRF Reauthorization (\$4.424B over next 3 years)

Excluded: Integrated Planning and Affordability!

* = WEF backed provisions



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WRDA Stormwater Provisions:

New \$450 Million (\$225M/yr for 2 years) Grant Program of CSO, SSO, and stormwater collection and conveyance infrastructure for the:

“(A) treatment works to intercept, transport, control, treat, or reuse municipal combined sewer overflows, sanitary sewer overflows, or stormwater; and

“(B) any other measures to manage, reduce, treat, or recapture stormwater or subsurface drainage water eligible for assistance under section 603(c).”



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National Stormwater Infrastructure Funding Taskforce:

"composed of federal, state, and local governments and private (including nonprofit) entities to conduct a study on, and develop recommendations to improve, the availability of public and private sources of funding for the construction, rehabilitation, and operation and maintenance of stormwater infrastructure to meet the requirements of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.)”



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WRDA Workforce Provision:

\$1 million per year for the next two years for grants for water sector jobs. Specifically, grants will go to “non-profit organizations” to provide “skills development” to “advance training in the water utility sector related to construction, utility operations, treatment and distribution, **green infrastructure**, maintenance, and engineering.”



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Program	FY17 Enacted	FY18 Omnibus	Pres. FY19	House FY19	Senate FY19	Function
Clean Water SRF	\$1.394B	\$1.6B	\$1.394B	\$1.5B	\$1.5B	Wastewater & Stormwater Loans
Drinking Water SRF	\$863M	\$1.1B	\$864M	\$1.1B	\$1.1B	Drinking Water Loans
WIFIA	\$28M	\$63M	\$20M	\$75M	\$63M	All Water Infrastructure Loan
USDA Water & Wastewater Loans & Grants	\$392M	\$500M	\$0	\$500M	\$500 M	Rural Communities Loans and Grants
Total Combined	\$2.677B	\$3.263B	\$2.278B	\$3.175B	\$3.163B	



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House FY19 Interior & Environment Appropriations:

Rep. Denny Heck Amendment to H.R. 6147 -- \$500,000 to complete EPA Clean Watersheds Needs Survey



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H.R. 7279 - Water Infrastructure Improvement Act, by Rep. Bob Gibbs (R-OH)

Bipartisan. Passed House and Senate on Dec. 19 and Dec. 22, respectively. Pending President's signature.

Define IP to be a plan developed consistent with USEPA's Integrated Municipal Stormwater and Wastewater Planning Approach

Require USEPA to inform agencies of the opportunity to develop IP's that would result in a permit relating to

- CSO's
- Capacity management plans for collection systems
- Stormwater discharges
- Wasteload allocations related to TMDL's



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Water Infrastructure Improvement Act – Cont.

Projects that are eligible for an IP include:

- Reclaiming, recycling or reusing water
- Green infrastructure defined to be projects that include plant and soil systems, permeable pavement, stormwater harvesting, reuse, or landscaping to store, infiltrate, or evapotranspire stormwater and reduce flows to sewer systems or to surface waters (USEPA tasked with promoting such projects, including at the regional office level)

An IP could include compliance schedules beyond any five-year permit

- Ability to rely on compliance schedules not part of an IP remain available to a discharger as part of an NPDES permit
- All IP compliance schedules must be authorized by state water quality standards and meet the requirements of CWA permitting reporting and other mandates

USEPA is directed to establish a Municipal Omnibus Office to provide technical assistance to comply with CWA



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2018 Farm Bill

Title II – Conservation Programs – funding levels maintained

- Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) -- \$300M annually, application process streamlining.
- Environmental Quality Incentives Program
- Conservation Stewardship Program



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116th Congress

House Leadership

- Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA)
- Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-CA)

Senate Leadership

- Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY)
- Minority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY)

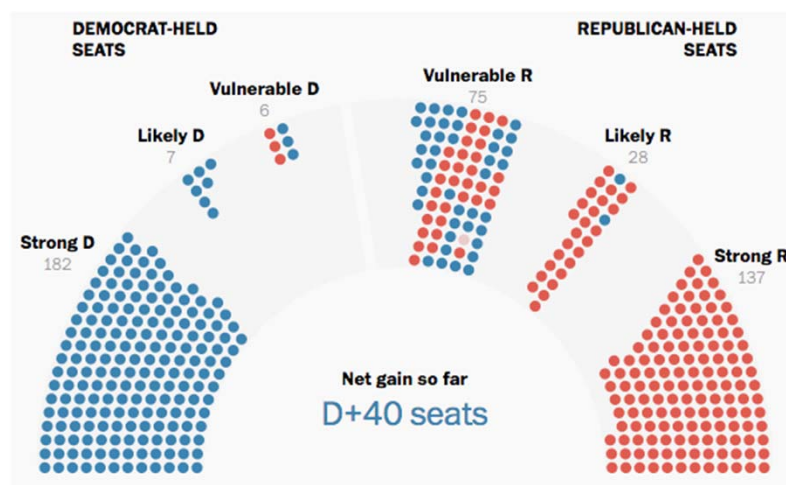


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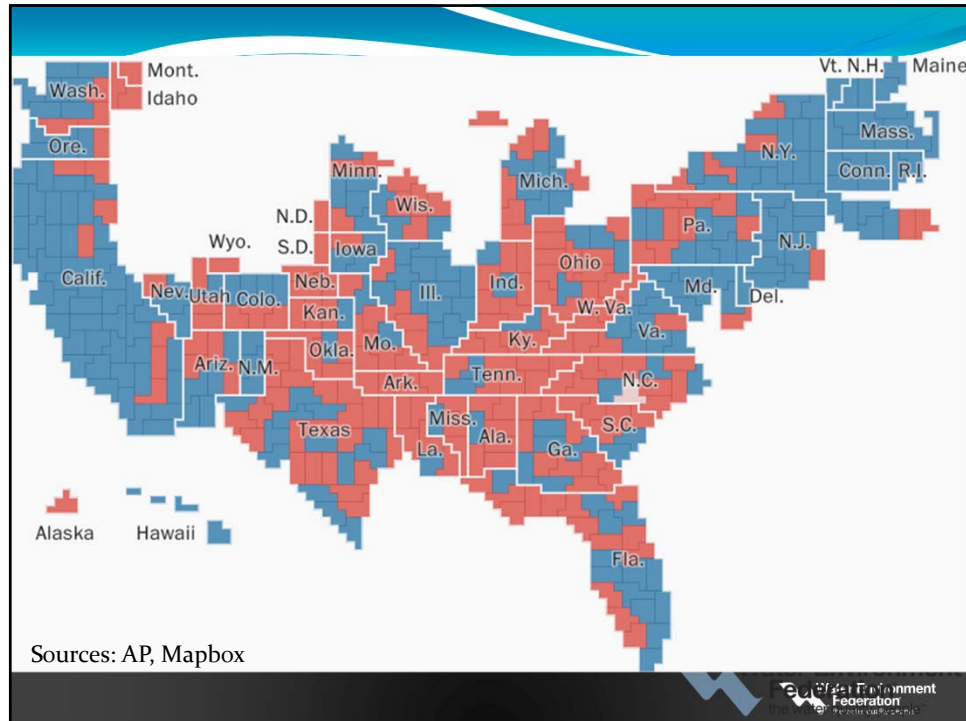
2018 Election Results - House

Democrats: 235

Republicans: 199*



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New House Members – 92 New

New House Members in the 116 th Congress (1 of 3)		
Ann Kirkpatrick (D-AZ-02)	Donna Shalala (D-FL-27)	Jared Golden (D-ME-02)
Greg Stanton (D-AZ-09)	Lucy McBath (D-GA-06)	David Trone (D-MD-06)
Josh Harder (D-CA-10)	Ed Case (D-HI-01)	Elissa Slotkin (D-MI-08)
Katie Hill (D-CA-25)	Abby Finkenauer (D-IA-01)	Andy Levin (D-MI-09)
Gil Cisneros (D-CA-39)	Cindy Axne (D-IA-03)	Haley Stevens (D-MI-11)
Katie Porter (D-CA-45)	Russ Fulcher (R-ID-01)	Rashida Tlaib (D-MI-13)
Harley Rounda (D-CA-48)	Chuy Garcia (D-IL-04)	Jim Hagedorn (R-MN-01)
Mike Levin (D-CA-49)	Sean Casten (D-IL-06)	Angie Craig (D-MN-02)
Joseph Neguse (D-CO-02)	Lauren Underwood (D-IL-14)	Dean Phillips (D-MN-03)
Jason Crow (D-CO-06)	Jim Baird (R-IN-04)	Ilhan Omar (D-MN-05)
Jahana Hayes (D-CT-05)	Greg Pence (R-IN-06)	Pete Stauber (R-MN-08)
Michael Waltz (R-FL-06)	Steve Watkins (R-KS-02)	Michael Guest (R-MS-03)
Ross Spano (R-FL-15)	Sharice Davids (D-KS-03)	Mark Harris (R-NC-09)
Greg Steube (R-FL-17)	Lori Trahan (D-MA-03)	Kelly Armstrong (R-ND-01)
Debbie Mucarsel-Powell (D-FL-26)	Ayanna Pressley (D-MA-07)	Chris Pappas (D-NH-01)

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New House Members

New House Members in the 116th Congress (2 of 3)

Jeff Van Drew (D-NJ-02)	Kendra Horn (D-OK-05)	Van Taylor (R-TX-03)
Andy Kim (D-NJ-03)	Madeleine Dean (D-PA-04)	Lance Gooden (R-TX-05)
Tom Malinowski (D-NJ-07)	Mary Gay Scanlon (D-PA-05)	Ron Wright (R-TX-06)
Mikie Sherrill (D-NJ-11)	Chrissy Houlahan (D-PA-06)	Lizzie Pannill Fletcher (D-TX-07)
Deb Haaland (D-NM-01)	Susan Wild (D-PA-07)	Veronica Escobar (D-TX-16)
Xochitl Torres Small (D-NM-02)	Dan Meuser (R-PA-09)	Chip Roy (R-TX-21)
Susie Lee (D-NV-03)	John Joyce (R-PA-13)	Sylvia Garcia (D-TX-29)
Steven Horsford (D-NV-04)	Guy Reschenthaler (R-PA-14)	Colin Allred (D-TX-32)
Max Rose (D-NY-11)	Joe Cunningham (D-SC-01)	Elaine Luria (D-VA-02)
Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-NY-14)	William Timmons (R-SC-04)	Denver Riggleman (R-VA-05)
Antonio Delgado (D-NY-19)	Dusty Johnson (R-SD-01)	Ben Cline (R-VA-06)
Anthony Brindisi (D-NY-22)	Tim Burchett (R-TN-02)	Abigail Spanberger (D-VA-07)
Joseph Morelle (D-NY-25)	John Rose (R-TN-06)	Jennifer Wexton (D-VA-10)
Anthony Gonzalez (R-OH-16)	Mark Green (R-TN-07)	Kim Schrier (D-WA-08)
Kevin Hern (R-OK-01)	Dan Crenshaw (R-TX-02)	Bryan Steil (R-WI-01)

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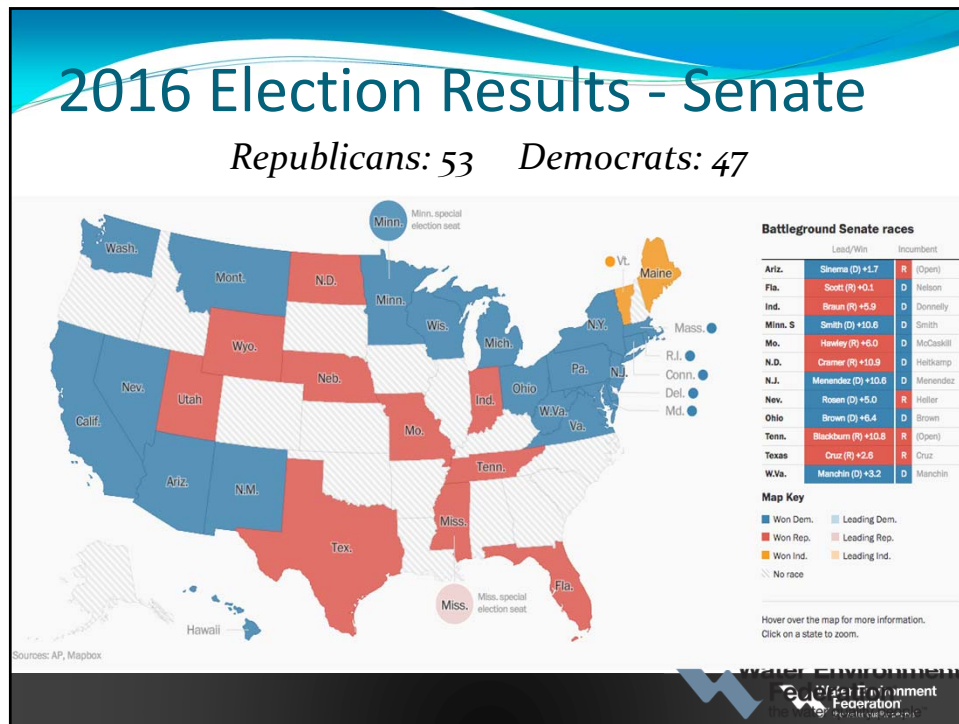
New House Members in the 116th Congress (3 of 3)

Carol Miller (R-WV-03)	*Del. Michael San Nicolas (D-GU-01)
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Key Committee Changes

House Transportation & Infrastructure

- Chair Peter DeFazio (D-OR)
- Ranking Member Sam Graves (R-MO)

House Appropriations

- Chair Nita Lowey (D-NY)
- Ranking Member Kay Granger (R-TX)

Water Resources Subcommittee

- Chair Grace Napolitano* (D-CA)
- Ranking Member Garrett Graves (R-LA)

Interior & Enviro. Approps. Subcomm.

- Chair Betty McCollum (D-MN)
- Ranking Member Ken Calvert (R-CA)



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Key Committees

Environment and Public Works

- Chair John Barrasso (R-WY)
- Ranking Member Tom Carper (D-DE)

Senate Appropriations

- Chair Richard Shelby (R-AL)
- Ranking Member Patrick Leahy (D-VT)

Transp. & Infrast. Subcomm.

- Chair Jim Inhofe (R-OK)
- Ranking Member Ben Cardin (D-MD)

Interior & Enviro. Approps. Subcomm.

- Chair Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)
- Ranking Member Tom Udall (D-NM)



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Likely 116th Legislative Issues

- Infrastructure Package
- Campaign Finance Reforms
- Ethics Oversight
- Healthcare & Prescription Drugs
- Climate Change – House Select Comm. on the Climate Crisis
- Tax Fixers Bill



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Infrastructure Package

House and Senate bill in early 2019

- Bipartisan
- “water infrastructure” must be included
- CW SRF reauthorization
- Affordability/Low-income assistance
- Resilience
- NPDES
- R&D funding
- Innovative Funding
- Partnerships



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FY20 Appropriations

- CW SRF -- \$2.8B
- DW SRF -- \$1.3B authorized level
- WIFIA -- \$50M authorized level
- Title XVI -- \$250M/5yrs
- USDA Rural Development Loans & Grants -- \$3B & \$1B
- Full Funding for USDA Conservation Programs
- Full Funding for AWIA Programs:
 - Sect. 221 – CSO, SSO, SW grants - \$450M/2 yrs.
 - Workforce grants
 - Resilience grants
 - DW R&D grants



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- WEF.org – Advocacy tab
- New Website:
 - <http://wef.org/advocacy/water-advocates2/>
- Joining the Program is easy:
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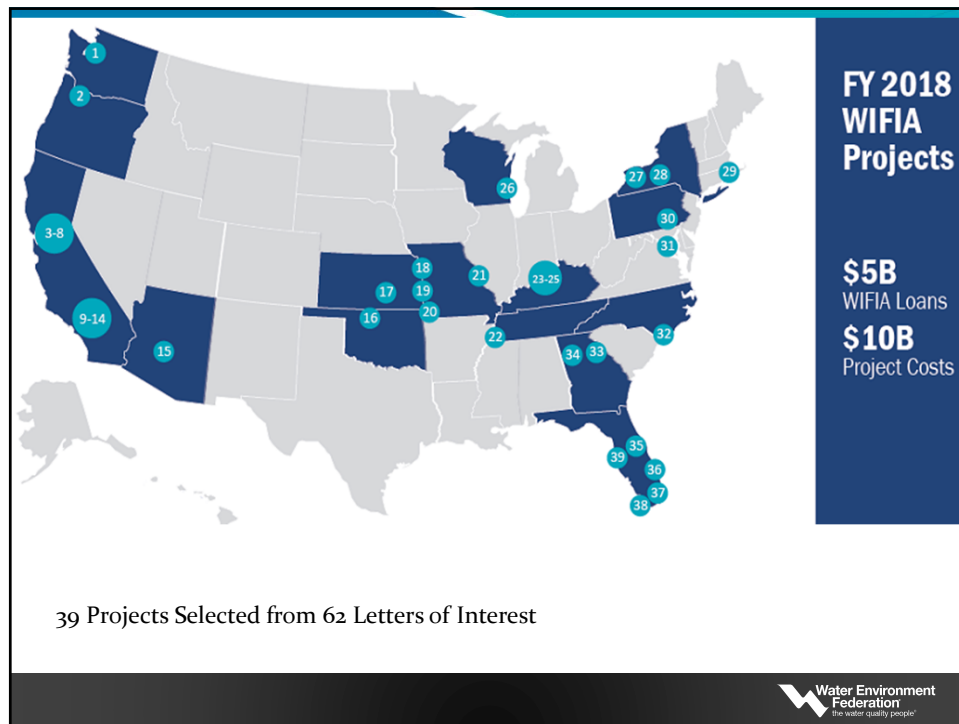
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WIFIA FY 2018 Selected Projects		
1. City of Seattle Ship Canal Water Quality Project 2. City of Hillsboro & Tualatin Valley WD Willamette Water Supply Program 3. San Juan Water District Reservoir Rehab and Replacement 4. City of Antioch Brackish Water Desalination 5. City of Stockton Wastewater Control Facility Modifications 6. San Mateo-Foster City WWTP Upgrade and Expansion 7. Silicon Valley Clean Water SVCW RESCU 8. City of Sunnyvale Cleanwater Program Phase 2 9. City of Los Angeles Advanced Water Purification Facility 10. Sanitation Dist. No. 2 of Los Angeles County Water Pollution Control Plant 11. Inland Empire Utilities Agency Rp-5 Expansion Project 12. Coachella Valley Water District Stormwater Channel Improvement 13. Coachella Valley Water District North Indio Flood Control	14. Poseidon Resources Carlsbad Intake Project 15. City of Phoenix Water Main Replacement Program 16. Enid Municipal Authority KLWS Pipeline 17. City of Wichita Northwest WWTF 18. Kansas City Water Services Dept Blue River WWTP Biosolids Facility 19. City of Frontenac Capital Improvements 20. American Water Capital Corp Joplin Water Supply Reservoir 21. American Water Capital Corp St. Louis Water Main Replacement 22. City of Memphis WWF Process and Biosolids Upgrades 23. Louisville & Jefferson County MSD Upper Middle Fork Pump Station 24. Louisville & Jefferson County MSD Ohio River Flood Protection Pump Station 25. Louisville & Jefferson County MSD Biosolids Processing Solution 26. City of Waukesha Water Utility Great Lake Water Supply Project	27. Monroe County Secondary Treatment Upgrades 28. City of Cortland Clinton Avenue Gateway 29. Narragansett Bay Commission CSO Phase III Facilities 30. City of Lancaster Sewer System Improvements 31. DC Water & Sewer Authority Capital Improvements 32. Brunswick County Northwest WTP Improvements 33. DeKalb County PASARP Consent Decree 34. City of Atlanta North Fork Tank and Pump Station 35. Pinellas County Water Reclamation Facility Improvements 36. Tohopekaliga Water Authority Gravity Sewer Assessment 37. North Miami Beach Water Potable Water Improvements 38. Miami-Dade County WWTP Building Upgrade 39. Florida Keys Aqueduct Authority Imperiled Water Supply Rehab

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