

September 14, 2021

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

The undersigned state and local chambers of commerce urge your support for the bipartisan infrastructure package.

Companies and communities are facing growing challenges regarding available water to meet public health, economic growth, and food and energy security needs. The water crisis in the American West is reaching unprecedented levels in its duration and impact. This megadrought, in addition to the already crumbling drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater infrastructure across the United States, requires expeditious action.

We commend you for including the following provisions on Western water infrastructure and drought resilience in the agreement:

- Providing incentives for water reuse and recycling.
- Supporting the Department of the Interior's WaterSmart program to promote water conservation, including nature-based projects.
- Implementing the consensus-based Colorado River Drought Contingency Plan.
- Developing solutions for water storage, groundwater recharge, and watershed protection.
- Identifying additional sources of local water, including desalination projects.

There is also \$1.5 billion in funding for predisaster mitigation programs through FEMA and more than \$3.3 billion to reduce risks from wildfires that will assist companies and communities to prepare ahead of the next crisis.

Building smart, modern, resilient infrastructure will ensure that the business community, employees, and customers have access to needed water resources and can prepare for the next crisis. This bipartisan legislation is an important step toward making this happen. The undersigned state and local chambers urge you to take up the Senate bipartisan package as soon as possible and do not connect passage to reconciliation.

We stand ready to assist you as this proposal moves forward.

Sincerely,

Alaska

- Seward Chamber of Commerce

Arizona

- Arizona Chamber of Commerce & Industry
- Buckeye Valley Chamber of Commerce
- Carefree Cave Creek Chamber of Commerce

- Chandler Chamber of Commerce
- Gilbert Chamber of Commerce
- Glendale Chamber of Commerce
- Greater Flagstaff Chamber of Commerce
- Greater Oro Valley Chamber of Commerce
- Greater Phoenix Chamber of Commerce
- Lake Havasu Area Chamber of Commerce
- Nogales-Santa Cruz County Chamber of Commerce
- Peoria Chamber of Commerce
- Southwest Valley Chamber of Commerce
- Springerville-Eager Regional Chamber of Commerce
- Surprise Regional Chamber of Commerce
- Tempe Chamber of Commerce
- Tucson Metro Chamber
- West Valley Chamber of Commerce Alliance
- Wickenburg Chamber of Commerce
- Yuma County Chamber of Commerce

California

- CalChamber
- Chino Valley Chamber of Commerce
- Coalition of California Chambers Orange County
- Costa Mesa Chamber of Commerce
- Dana Point Chamber of Commerce
- El Monte/South El Monte Chamber of Commerce
- Encinitas Chamber of Commerce
- Fresno Chamber of Commerce
- Gateway Chambers Alliance
- Greater Bakersfield Chamber
- Greater Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce
- Greater Escondido Chamber of Commerce
- Greater Grass Valley Chamber of Commerce
- Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce
- Greater San Fernando Valley Chamber of Commerce
- Hawthorne Chamber of Commerce
- Healdsburg Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Bureau
- Hueneme Chamber of Commerce
- Inland Empire Economic Partnership
- Long Beach Area Chamber of Commerce
- Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce
- Menlo Park Chamber of Commerce
- Mountain View Chamber of Commerce

- Murrieta/Wildomar Chamber of Commerce
- Neighborhood Market Association
- Newport Beach Chamber of Commerce
- North San Diego Business Chamber
- Orange County Business Council
- Palm Springs Chamber of Commerce
- Palos Verdes Peninsula Chamber of Commerce
- Pasadena Chamber of Commerce
- Paso Robles Chamber of Commerce
- Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce
- Rancho Cordova Chamber of Commerce
- Sacramento Metro Chamber
- San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce
- San Francisco Chamber of Commerce
- San Juan Capistrano Chamber of Commerce
- San Marcos Chamber of Commerce
- San Mateo Area Chamber of Commerce
- San Pedro Chamber of Commerce
- Santa Barbara South Coast Chamber of Commerce
- Santa Clarita Valley Chamber of Commerce
- Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce
- Santa Paula Chamber of Commerce
- South San Francisco Chamber of Commerce
- The Silicon Valley Organization
- Torrance Area Chamber of Commerce
- West Ventura County Business Alliance
- Whittier Area Chamber of Commerce
- Yorba Linda Chamber of Commerce

Colorado

- Aurora Chamber of Commerce
- Colorado Competitive Council
- Denver Metro Chamber
- Fort Collins Area Chamber
- Grand Junction Chamber
- Greater Woodland Park Chamber of Commerce
- Vail Valley Partnership
- Westminster Chamber of Commerce

Hawaii

- Chamber of Commerce Hawaii
- Maui Chamber of Commerce

Idaho

- Boise Metro Chamber
- Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry
- Post Falls Area Chamber of Commerce

Montana

- Helena Area Chamber of Commerce
- Montana Chamber of Commerce

Nebraska

- North Platte Area Chamber of Commerce
- Seward County Chamber and Development Partnership

Nevada

- Boulder City Chamber of Commerce
- Carson City Chamber of Commerce
- Henderson Chamber of Commerce
- Laughlin Chamber of Commerce
- Reno+Sparks Chamber of Commerce
- Vegas Chamber of Commerce
- White Pine Chamber of Commerce

Oregon

- Albany Area Chamber of Commerce
- Heppner Chamber of Commerce
- Lake Oswego Chamber of Commerce
- North Clackamas Chamber of Commerce
- Oregon Business and Industry
- Portland Business Alliance
- Rosenberg Area Chamber of Commerce
- Washington County Chamber of Commerce

Texas

- El Paso Chamber of Commerce
- Lubbock Chamber of Commerce

Utah

- Cache Valley Chamber of Commerce
- Davis Chamber of Commerce
- Payson Santaquin Area Chamber of Commerce
- Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce
- South Valley Chamber of Commerce

Washington

- Association of Washington Business
- Blaine Community Chamber of Commerce
- Coupeville and Central Whidbey Chamber of Commerce
- Economic Alliance Snohomish County
- Enumclaw Area Chamber of Commerce
- Greater Grays Harbor, Inc.
- Greater Issaquah Chamber of Commerce

- Greater Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce
- Greater Yakima Chamber of Commerce
- Lake Stevens Chamber of Commerce
- Lewis Clark Valley Chamber of Commerce (WA/ID)
- Moses Lake Chamber of Commerce
- Pullman Chamber of Commerce
- Silverdale Chamber

Wyoming

- Cody Country Chamber of Commerce
- Greater Cheyenne Chamber of Commerce