EPA Funding Available to Address HABs

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EPA Programs That Can Address HABs

Clean Water Act §319 Nonpoint Source Program State Revolving Fund – Clean Water (CWSRF) and Drinking Water (DWSRF)

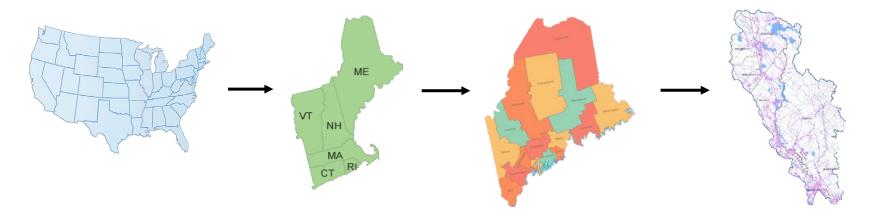
Bipartisan Infrastructure Law -Emerging Contaminant Funds

Water Finance Center CWA 106 Monitoring Grants

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Clean Water Act §319 Nonpoint Source Program

 §319 is a national program that influences state programs and powers local watershed projects to address nonpoint source pollution.



Funds distributed to states annually based on formula

- In FY23, \$182M was distributed to grantees
- 40% non-federal match required

Guidelines - Use of funds requires :

- Watershed projects minimum 50% of funds allocated to support on-the-ground projects
- NPS program work/staff



State Revolving Fund

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF)

- DWSRF can provide financial assistance to publicly-owned and privately-owned (*not all states) community water systems, as well as non-profit non-community water systems, for drinking water infrastructure projects.
- Activities that can be relevant to HABs using DWSRF and its set asides:
 - DWSRF assistance can be used to fund equipment and upgrade technologies.
 - Set-asides may be used for laboratory or testing equipment for research or contamination prevention of HABs and cyanotoxins.
 - Although routine/compliance monitoring is not eligible for DWSRF funding, HABs and cyanotoxins monitoring may be eligible under the Local Assistance Set-Aside if used to obtain a baseline for contamination levels or to assess the proper operation of new equipment.
 - Using Set-Asides for HAB prevention through source water protection before it enters the drinking water treatment facility to avoid contamination of finished water.
 - Public Outreach and Educational materials.

Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF)

- CWSRF is a federal-state partnership that provides lowcost financing to communities for a wide range of water quality infrastructure projects, including municipal wastewater facilities, nonpoint source pollution control, decentralized wastewater treatment systems, stormwater runoff mitigation, green infrastructure, estuary protection, and water reuse.
- Activities that can be relevant to HABs using CWSRF:
 - Planning activities such as climate and extreme weather vulnerability planning, total maximum daily load (TMDL) implementation plans*, and watershed management plans.
 - Implementation of a variety of watershed pollution management activities including: removal of leaking or damaged septic systems, implementation of agricultural BMPs such as no-till equipment and manure management measures, wetland restoration, and green stormwater infrastructure.

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)

- Also known as the Infrastructure Investments and Jobs Act (IIJA).
- Signed by President Biden on November 15, 2021.
- Historic investment in key programs and initiatives implemented by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to build safer, healthier, cleaner communities.
- Includes \$50 billion to EPA to strengthen the nation's drinking water and wastewater systems – the single largest investment in water that the federal government has ever made.
- The BIL appropriates more than \$43 billion to be administered through the existing CWSRF and DWSRF programs from fiscal years (FYs) 2022 through 2026.



Available State Revolving Fund (SRF) Funding in the BIL

| Appropriation | FY 2022 (\$) | FY 2023 (\$) | FY 2024 (\$) | FY 2025 (\$) | FY 2026 (\$) | Five Year Total (\$) |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|----------------------|
| CWSRF General Supplemental | 1,902,000,000 | 2,202,000,000 | 2,403,000,000 | 2,603,000,000 | 2,603,000,000 | 11,713,000,000 |
| CWSRF Emerging Contaminants | 100,000,000 | 225,000,000 | 225,000,000 | 225,000,000 | 225,000,000 | 1,000,000,000 |
| DWSRF General Supplemental | 1,902,000,000 | 2,202,000,000 | 2,403,000,000 | 2,603,000,000 | 2,603,000,000 | 11,713,000,000 |
| DWSRF Emerging Contaminants | 800,000,000 | 800,000,000 | 800,000,000 | 800,000,000 | 800,000,000 | 4,000,000,000 |
| DWSRF Lead Service Line Replacement | 3,000,000,000 | 3,000,000,000 | 3,000,000,000 | 3,000,000,000 | 3,000,000,000 | 15,000,000,000 |



Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Emerging Contaminants - Available Funding

| Appropriation | FY 2022 (\$) | FY 2023 (\$) | FY 2024 (\$) | FY 2025 (\$) | FY 2026 (\$) | 5 Year Total (\$) |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------|
| Emerging Contaminants in Small or Disadvantaged Communities (EC-SDC) | 1 billion | 1 billion | 1 billion | 1 billion | 1 billion | 5 billion |
| Drinking Water SRF Emerging Contaminants (DWSRF EC) | 800 million | 800 million | 800 million | 800 million | 800 million | 4 billion |
| Clean Water SRF Emerging Contaminants (CWSRF EC) | 100 million | 225 million | 225 million | 225 million | 225 million | 1 billion |



BIL Funding Opportunities for Emerging Contaminants

Emerging Contaminants in Small or Disadvantaged Communities (EC-SDC) Grant Program

- Eligible projects must assist public water systems serving small or disadvantaged communities and the primary purpose must be to address PFAS and other emerging contaminants in drinking water.
- EPA allocates funding to states. States develop workplans and administer funds to implement eligible activities.

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund – BIL Emerging Contaminants

- Eligible projects must be otherwise DWSRF eligible and the primary purpose must be to address PFAS and/or other emerging contaminants in drinking water.
- Funding provided by states via SRFs. States must provide funds entirely as forgivable loans or grants.

Clean Water State Revolving Fund – BIL Emerging Contaminants

- Eligible projects must be otherwise CWSRF eligible and the project must address an emerging contaminant(s) that has been identified to be present.
- Funding provided by states via SRFs. States must provide funds entirely as forgivable loans or grants.

Other EPA Programs

• Water Finance Center

- Provides financing information to make informed decisions for drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater infrastructure.
- Water Finance Clearinghouse is an easily navigable web-based portal to help communities locate information and resources that will assist them in making these informed decisions.
- Clean Water Act Section 106 Monitoring Initiative Grants
 - Provide funding to states, territories, eligible interstate agencies, and eligible tribes to support ambient water quality monitoring programs and implement a multi-year, statistically valid survey of the condition of the nation's waters to track changes over time.
- Funding Integration Tool for Source Waters (FITS)
 - FITS is a one-stop-shop tool that explains how users can integrate various federal funding sources to support activities that protect sources of drinking water.



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