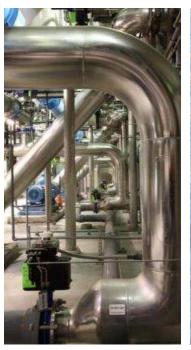




National Water Reuse Action

Water Sector Comments Submitted: July 1, 2019

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National Water Reuse Action Plan — Timeline

EPA announces development of Water Reuse Action Plan.

February 2019

Public comment period closes.

July 2019

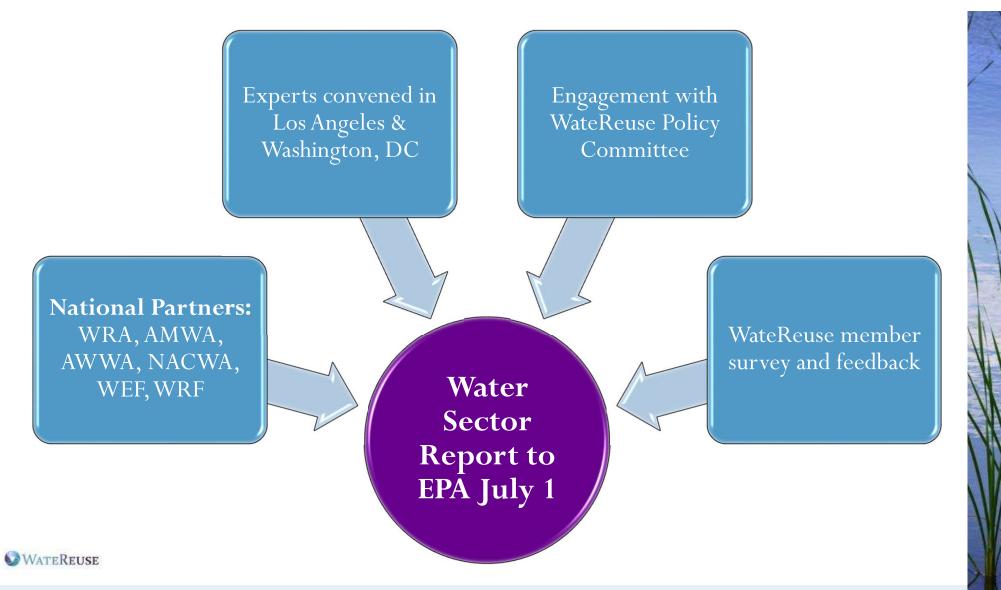
April 2019

EPA opens public comment period.

September 2019

EPA releases draft Action Plan at 34th Annual WateReuse Symposium. New public comment period begins.





Guiding Principles

- o Integrated water resources management
- Sustainable solutions
- Partnerships
- Support for research
- Effective communications
- Role of the federal family
- Clear and supportive policies





Use Application: Potable Reuse

- Develop a research strategy
- Facilitate information sharing between states, EPA, associations
- Coordinate and improve communications and messaging





Use Application: Onsite Non-Potable Water Systems

- Facilitate the development of "plug & play" systems
- Help states develop risk-based standards and best practices
- Develop federal procurement guidelines for GSA
- Address outstanding research questions
- Improve operator training





Use Application: Industrial Water Reuse

- Develop financial incentives
- Develop sector-specific benchmarks and fit-for-purpose information
- Leverage corporate sustainability and its marketing/branding potential to advance reuse





Use Application: Agriculture

- Quantify and communicate costs and benefits
- Create financial mechanisms (e.g. credit trading, federal cost-share) to reduce costs for farmers
- Facilitate partnerships between farm and food associations and the water sector
- Develop state policies to facilitate agricultural reuse







Use Application: Environmental Restoration

- Collect and share success stories and best practices
- EPA should issue informational guidelines to clarify applicability of federal regulations, as well as eligibility for federal funding





Use Application: Produced Water from Oil/Gas Drilling

Examples:

 Develop fit-for-purpose standards, criteria, and guidelines to enable reuse while protecting public health and the environment



 Develop a research plan to address informational and technological gaps



Use Application: Stormwater Capture and Reuse

- Research and categorize constituents to better understand fit-for-purpose treatment needs
- Research potential downstream water quantity impacts
- Integrate water reuse into the policy and programs of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers









Questions?

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