



Congress can advance **water supply** and **clean water** goals by **reauthorizing section 4009(c) of the WIIN Act (Public Law 114-322)**, a component of the **Title XVI-WIIN Water Reclamation and Reuse Grants Program** by the end of FY 2026.

As water resources become increasingly strained, it is vitally important that the nation invest in water reuse to build dependable water supplies, support public and environmental health, and ensure economic prosperity.

The Title XVI-WIIN Program has helped communities across the West build drought resilience, keep nutrients and other pollutants out of sensitive waterways, save billions of dollars relative to importing water, and grow sustainable economies.

Through Title XVI-WIIN, the Bureau of Reclamation provides competitive grants to local governments to plan, design, and/or construct water recycling projects.

Under the current expired authority, the Bureau of Reclamation is unable to fund new Title XVI-WIIN projects using annually appropriated funds.

Yet Reclamation sees roughly 10 newly completed Title XVI-WIIN feasibility studies each year. Moreover, the backlog for federal cost-share amongst eligible Title XVI-WIIN projects already exceeds \$360 million.



Investments in the Title XVI Program:

- Increase the supply of fresh drinking water, generate sustainable irrigation water for landscaping and agricultural use, restore sensitive ecosystems, and help industries expand and create jobs.
- Have leveraged non-federal funding at nearly a 5:1 ratio, ensuring that local communities have skin in the game.
- Help both urban and rural communities across the West build water supplies and a strong and secure economic future.
- Protect our rivers, lakes, streams, aquifers and wetlands by reducing extractive water demands, reducing nutrient and other pollutant loads, and providing high quality water for replenishing groundwater.

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