



# Report on Activities From **Washington, D.C.**

Item 6c

December 8, 2025

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Report on  
Activities  
from  
Washington,  
D.C.

**Subject**

Report on Activities from Washington, D.C.

**Purpose**

To provide a legislative update.

# Large Scale Water Recycling Program Reauthorization



 BUREAU OF RECLAMATION  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

119TH CONGRESS  
1st Session **H. R. 6204**

To extend the authorization for a large-scale water recycling and reuse grant program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
NOVEMBER 20, 2025  
Ms. LEE of Nevada (for herself and Mr. CISCOMANI) introduced the following bill, which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

**A BILL**

To extend the authorization for a large-scale water recycling and reuse grant program.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**  
4 This Act may be cited as the "Large-Scale Water Re-  
5 cycling Reauthorization Act".

6 **SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION EXTENSION.**  
7 Section 40905(k) of the Infrastructure Investment  
8 and Jobs Act (Public Law 117-58) is amended by striking  
9 "5 years" and inserting "10 years".

 CONGRESSWOMAN  
**SUSIE LEE**  
SERVING NEVADA'S 3RD DISTRICT

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**Lee, Ciscomani Introduce Bipartisan Legislation to Boost Western Large-Scale Water Recycling Efforts**

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** – Today, **Congresswoman Susie Lee (NV-03)** and **Congressman Juan Ciscomani (AZ-06)** introduced the bipartisan **Large-Scale Water Recycling Reauthorization Act** to extend a federal grant program for large-scale water recycling projects in the Colorado River Basin and throughout the West.

"We need to save every drop of water we can to combat the ongoing, drought-driven water crisis in Nevada and throughout the West. Large-scale water recycling works," said **Congresswoman Susie Lee**. "That's exactly why we need to reauthorize the Large-Scale Water Recycling Program as soon as possible. This critical program was made possible by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law that I helped get across the finish line. I look forward to seeing it reauthorized for another five years to continue delivering the water resources our communities need for our shared future."

"Water is the lifeblood of Arizona," said **Congressman Juan Ciscomani**. "As we face worsening drought in Arizona, I am proud to co-lead this critical legislation which will help Western communities, like Southern Arizona, bolster their conservation efforts through water recycling efforts."

The Bureau of Reclamation's successful Large-Scale Water Recycling Program was originally made possible by Congresswoman Lee's [legislation](#) and was incorporated into the landmark Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, which she also helped [negotiate and pass](#). Lee's new bipartisan legislation reauthorizes this essential federal program for another five years, from 2026 to 2031. Her bill comes as the American West continues to confront the effects of one of the worst droughts in history.

To date, the Large-Scale Water Recycling Program has provided more than \$125 million to support the ongoing partnership between the Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA)

# Examining the Future of PFAS Cleanup and Disposal Policy

Legislation & Communications Committee

## Senate Environment & Public Works Committee Hearing



Sen. Capito  
(R-WV)



Sen.  
Whitehouse  
(D-RI)



Sen. Padilla  
(D-CA)



Sen. Schiff  
(D-CA)



**FY 26**  
**Appropriations:**  
**Bureau of**  
**Reclamation**



	President's Proposal	House	Senate
CALFED	\$32 M	\$32 M	\$32 M
Water Recycling	0	\$41 M	\$20 M
Water Storage	0	\$201 M	0
WaterSmart: Drought Response	0	\$25 M	\$30 M
WaterSmart: Grants	0	\$14 M	\$65 M

