Legislation and Communications Committee

Report on Activities From Washington, D.C.

Item 6c

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Subject

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Purpose

To provide a legislative update.

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Congressional Calendar

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FY27 Appropriations

Continuing Resolution

- Runs until December 11th
- FY26 Funding Levels
- No “Earmarks”

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Federal Funding for Water Infrastructure

- **MAR 2021** – American Rescue Plan Act – ended Dec. 31, 2024
- **NOV 2021** – Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act- ended Sept. 30, 2026
- **AUG 2022** – Inflation Reduction Act – ended Sept. 30, 2026
- **JUL 2025** – One Big Beautiful Bill Act –ends Sept. 30, 2034

Bill Enactment

Regular Order

- IIJA

Budget Reconciliation

- ARPA
- IRA
- OBBBA

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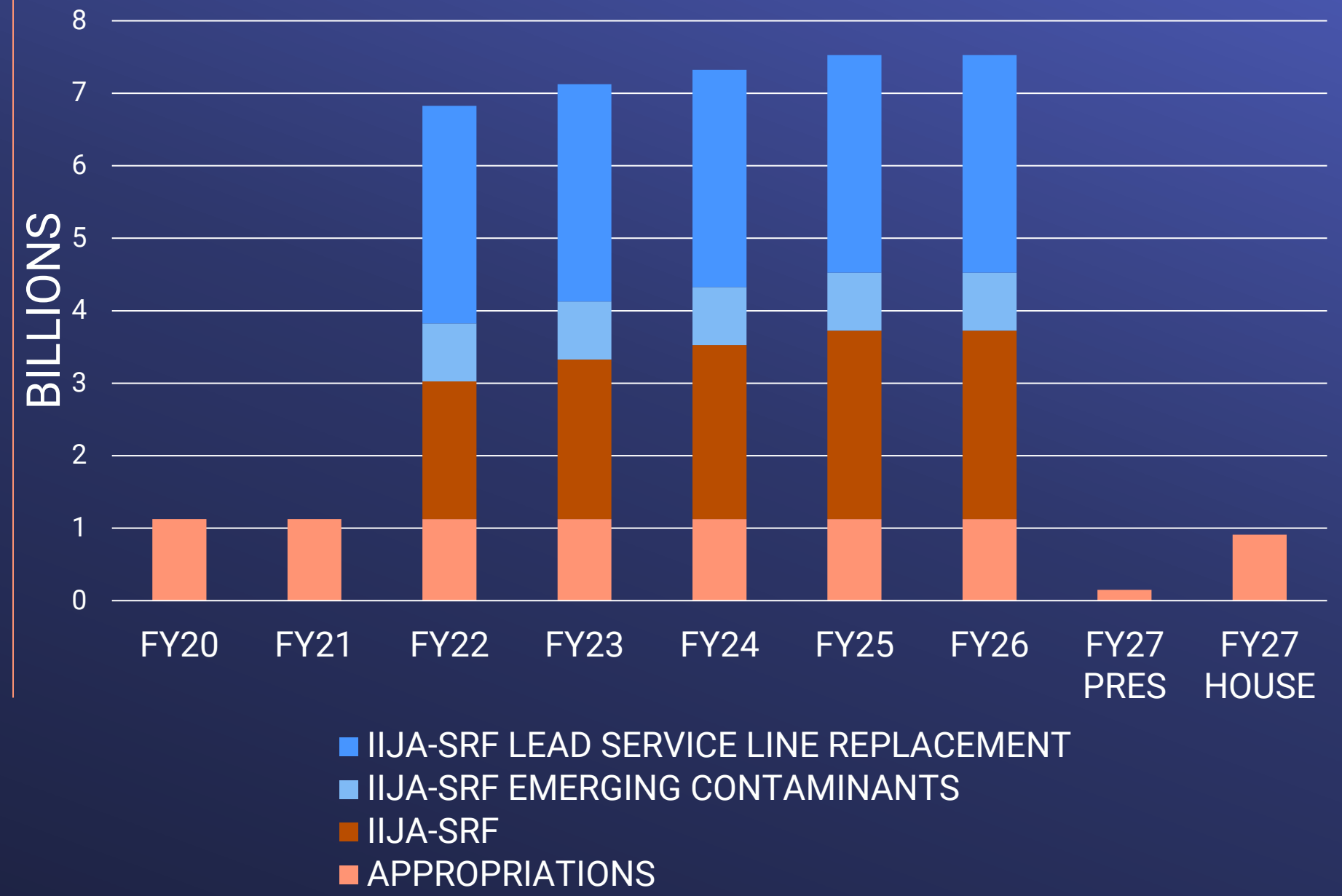
EPA Drinking Water SRF Funding



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WRDA 26 Update

PASSED HOUSE

	All Votes		Republicans	Democrats
Yea	98%	415	203	212
Nay	2%	9	9	0
Not Voting		9	7	2

PASSED SENATE ENVIRONMENT & PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

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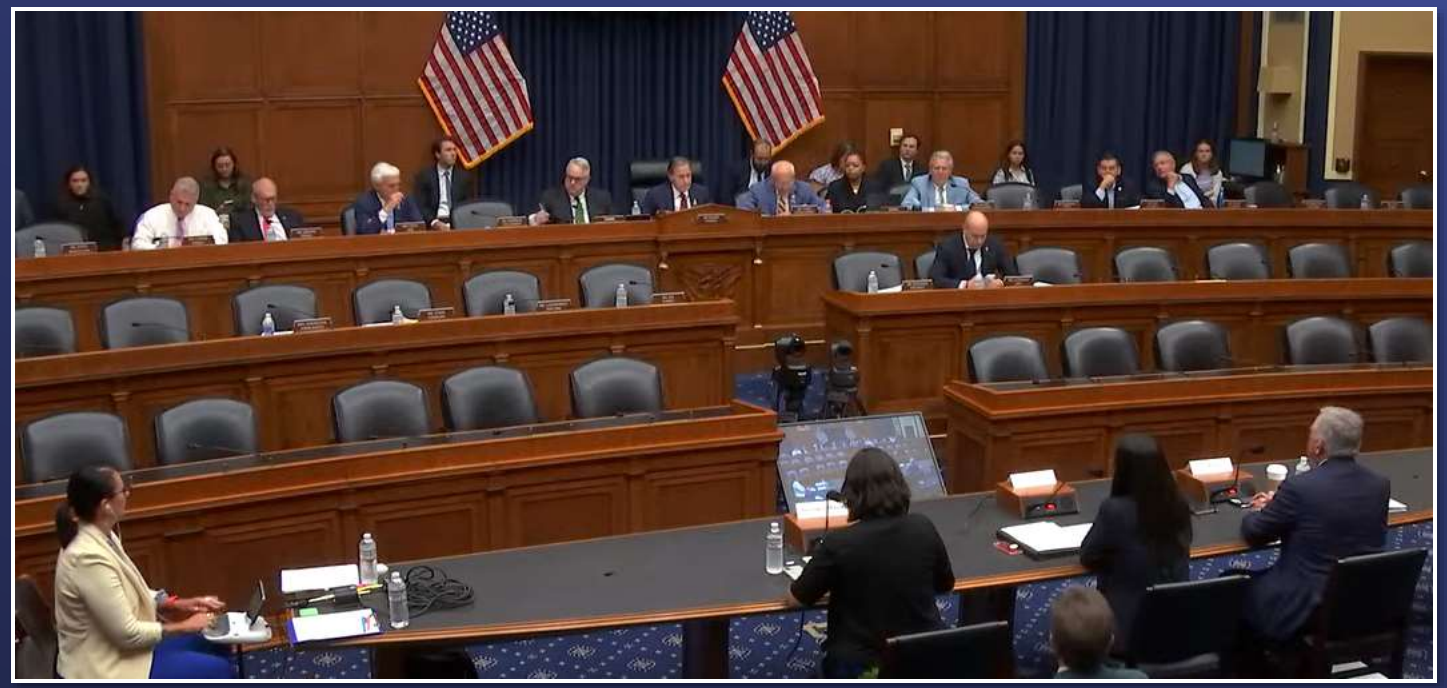
House Energy & Commerce Subcommittee Hearing

Reliable Water in the Digital Age: Examining Legislation to Strengthen Drinking Water Systems and Protect Ratepayers



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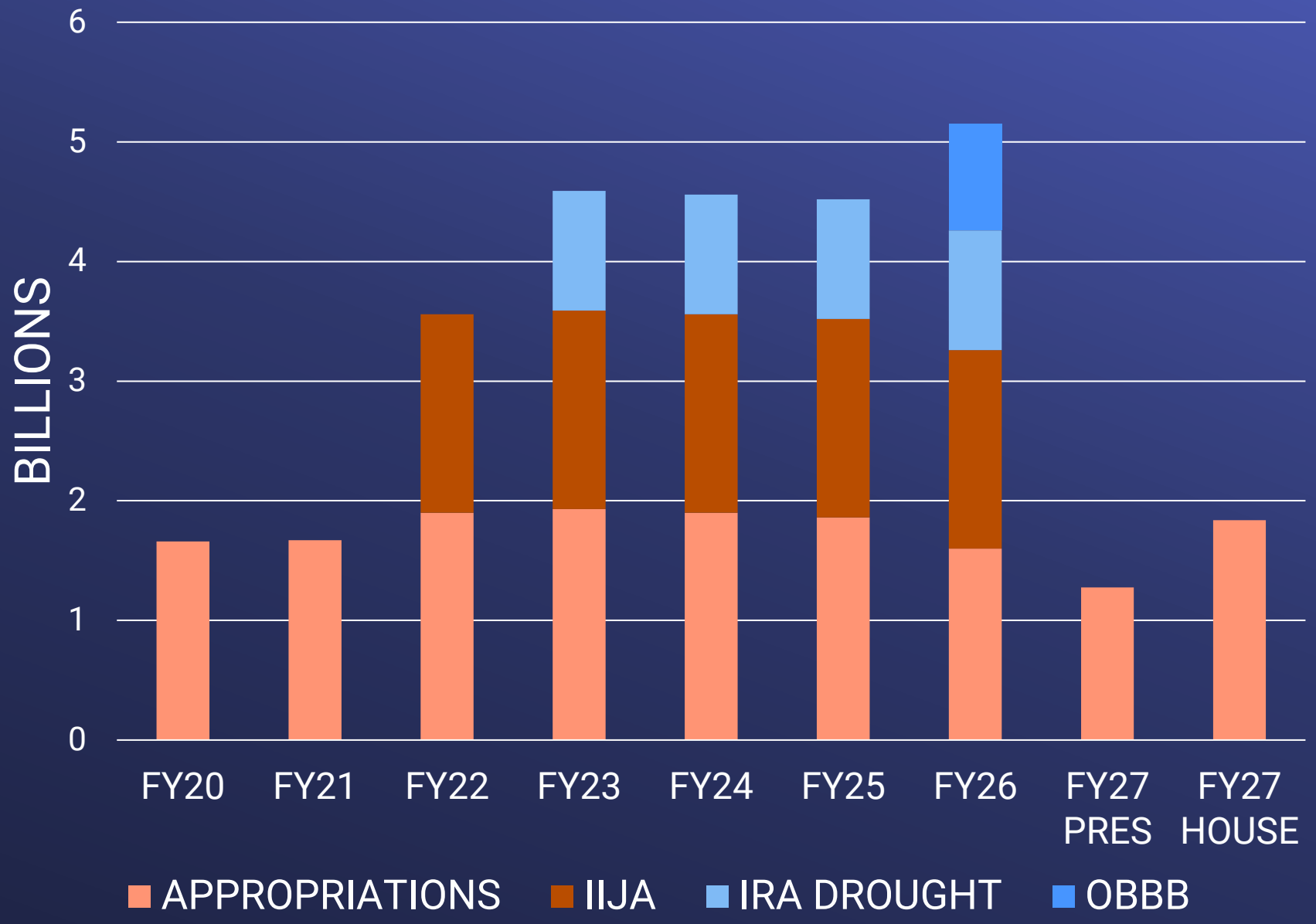
Bureau of Reclamation Funding



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Bureau of Reclamation Expiring Authorizations

Reclamation Program	House Bill	Senate Bill
WIIN Storage	Extended in Appropriations Bill	X
WIIN Water Recycling	Extended in Appropriations Bill	S.3738
WIIN Desalination	X	✓ S.5352
Large-Scale Water Recycling	✓ H.R. 6204	✓ S.3738; S.3693
Basin Study Program	X	✓ S.5402
Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Program	X	✓ S.5402
System Conservation Program	✓ H.R. 231	✓ S.154

THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
1928