



Water Infrastructure and Rivers 2026



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Our Goal: The rivers in every city and town are clean enough to swim and play in by 2050





Water Infrastructure Investment is Key....and popular.

When informed about the possibility of federal funding cuts to water infrastructure projects, 81% of voters support continued funding.

Polling Research by US Water Alliance



America has a D+ in wastewater infrastructure

American Society of Civil Engineers Infrastructure Report Card

Over the last decade the average number pipe failures for combined water utilities increased from 2 to 3.3 per 100 miles of pipe.

Estimated wastewater infrastructure GAP - \$271 billion
Estimated stormwater infrastructure GAP - \$115 billion or more

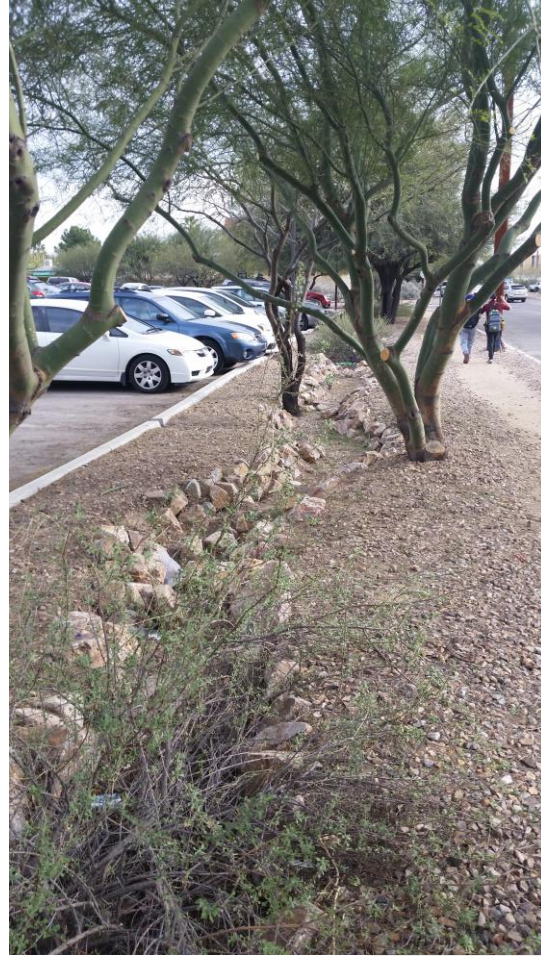
The average bill for residential wastewater customers is increasing from \$35 to nearly \$65 per month from 2010 to 2020, but locally generated funds still fall short.



American Rivers River City Initiative

Supporting communities' access to water infrastructure funding and financing:

- Atlanta, GA
- Durham, NC
- Grand Rapids, MI
- Holyoke, MA
- Jackson Hole, WY
- Milwaukee, WI
- Philadelphia, PA
- Sacramento, CA
- Tucson, AZ



Financing our Water Ways Factsheet

U.C. Davis Graduate Program Research

- Create a pilot program dedicated to supporting stormwater credit trading
- Support tax incentives for nature-based infrastructure to help homeowners and businesses
- Establish a narrowly defined water infrastructure trust fund to support new wastewater technologies



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