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Federal Infrastructure Program Opportunities



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Agenda

Welcome and Introductions

Michigan Representative Rachel Hood,
Task Force on Nutrient Management

Federal Infrastructure Program Opportunities



Speaker – Eric Brown – Great Lakes Commission Senior Advisor for External Relations

Prior to joining the Commission, Brown served in various roles for a governor, a member of Congress, and a private sector lobbying firm. Throughout these roles, Brown was a key figure in efforts to protect the environmental and economic health of the Great Lakes region. Brown has a long history of convening state, provincial, and congressional leadership to build consensus around difficult issues.



Speaker - Kitty Richards, U.S. Department of the Treasury, Director of the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund.

Prior to joining Treasury, she was a Fellow at the Roosevelt Institute, chief of staff to DC Councilmember Elissa Silverman, and economic policy advisor to then-Vice President Biden. She graduated from Reed College and New York University School of Law.



***Speaker* - Zachary Schafer - Senior Advisor, Environmental Protection Agency Office of Water.**

He covers infrastructure, climate, and other critical issues. Prior to joining EPA, Zach served as founding CEO of United for Infrastructure, where he worked with government, labor, and business stakeholders to elevate critical infrastructure priorities in the water, transportation, and other sectors. Zach also worked on water and climate policy at the White House Council on Environmental Quality.



***Speaker* - Candace Vahlsing, Ph.D. is the White House Office of Management and Budget's first Associate Director of Climate, Energy, Environment, and Science.** Ms. Vahlsing was a Senior Advisor for Science and Technology Policy to the Chair of the California Air Resources Board, the agency charged with leading California's climate policy. In the 115th and 116th Congress, she was a Senior Advisor to U.S. Senator Michael F. Bennet and the Minority Staff Director for the U.S. Senate Finance Subcommittee for Energy, Natural Resources, and Infrastructure.



Federal Infrastructure Investment: Water Provisions

Eric Brown

Senior Advisor for External Relations



Infrastructure Bill: Top Line Numbers

- \$1.2 trillion overall
 - \$550 billion in new spending
- Water Provisions:
 - \$55 billion
- Great Lakes Restoration Initiative:
 - \$1 billion over 5 years
- Maritime:
 - Port infrastructure: \$17 billion

Notable Water Investments

- Drinking Water SRF
 - \$14.65 billion over 5 years
- Clean Water SRF:
 - \$14.65 billion over 5 years
- Lead Pipe Replacement:
 - \$15 billion over 5 years
- Emerging Contaminants:
 - \$10 billion over 5 years

Notable Resilience Investments

- FEMA BRIC Program
 - \$1 billion over 5 years
- FEMA Hazard Mitigation Loans:
 - \$500 million over 5 years
- FEMA National Flood Insurance:
 - \$3.5 billion over 5 years

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Remember to Register and Join Us Next Week for Webinar on USDA-FSA Funding for Landowners

- Friday, September 17 , 2021 at 11:00 am ET | 10:00 am CT
- **USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service Programs Related Water Quality**
Lori Ziehr, Ohio Acting State Conservationist, USDA- NRCS.

Moderated by Representative David Abbott, Indiana

- **Register in advance for this meeting on Friday, September 17, at 11:00 a.m. ET | 10:00 a.m. CT**
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