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- **Colorado River Basin Drought Contingency Plan**
  - Funding to DOI for allocation to Basin States for implementing the Upper Basin and Lower Basin Drought Contingency Plans, with $50 Million allocated to the Upper Basin and the remainder to the Lower Basin.
  - **$300M**
  - Minimal Non-Federal Match

- **WaterSMART - Cooperative Watershed Management**
  - Significant additional funding for BOI grants for development and implementation of cooperative watershed management plans.
  - **$100M**
  - Minimal Non-Federal Match

**OFFICE OF SURFACE MINING**

- **Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund**
  - Significant new funding for abandoned mine reclamation fund through the Office of Surface Mining at DOI.
  - **$11B**
  - Minimal Non-Federal Match

**EPA**

- **Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Funds**
  - Reauthorization of and funding for Sec. 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, which includes allowing states to set aside funding for various source water protection activities, including forest management and protection, use of natural infrastructure and voluntary, compensated changes in agricultural practices.
  - **$11.7B**
  - Minimal Non-Federal Match

- **Sewer Overflow and Stormwater Reuse Municipal Grants**
  - Funding for EPA grants to states for controlling and reducing sewer or stormwater overflows, with a twenty percent set-aside for green infrastructure approaches.
  - **$280M**
  - Minimal Non-Federal Match

**USFS/BLM**

- **Good Neighbor Authority Agreements**
  - New funding for Good Neighbor Authority providing for federal/state/tribal cooperation in promoting forest health, encompassing activities that restore or improve forests, ranging and watershed health, including fish and wildlife.
  - **$200M**
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**ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS**

- **WRDA Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration**
  - Funding to carry out major aquatic ecosystem restoration and protection projects that improve the quality of the environment, are in the public interest and are cost-effective.
  - **$1.9B**
  - Minimal Non-Federal Match

- **Aqueous Ecosystem Restoration Program**
  - Funding to restore fish and wildlife passage by removing instream barriers and provide technical assistance to non-federal entities carrying out such activities.
  - **$115M**
  - Minimal Non-Federal Match

**NRCS/USFS**

- **Joint Chiefs Landscape Restoration Partnership Program**
  - Establishment of and funding for a new program between the U.S. Forest Service and the Natural Resource Conservation Service for landscape scale initiatives to reduce wildfire threats, protect water quality and enhance wildlife habitat, with proposals coming through Regional Foresters and State Conservationists.
  - **$90M**
  - Minimal Non-Federal Match

- **Dam Removal**
  - Funds grants to states for rehabilitation or removal of dams under 33 USC Sec. 467f-2 (high hazard potential dams).
  - **$75M**
  - Minimal Non-Federal Match

- **National Fish Passage Program**
  - Provides additional funding for U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service National Fish Passage Program to remove instream barriers to fish and wildlife, including providing technical assistance.
  - **$200M**
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**INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

**EPA**

- **Clean Water State Revolving Funds**
  - Funding for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund program which can support water conservation, watershed enhancement projects, water reuse, among many other activities.
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**NRCS**

- **Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations**
  - Additional emergency funding for USDA Watershed and Flood Protection Operations, which supports projects that benefit agriculture and rural communities in addressing watershed protection, erosion control, fish and wildlife habitat, and water supply development.
  - **$500M**
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- **Watershed Rehabilitation Program**
  - Additional funding for NRCS program that makes grants to local sponsors for rehabilitation of aging dams that are reaching the end of their design lives to address public health and safety.
  - **$118M**
  - Minimal Non-Federal Match

**FEMA**

- **BRIC - Federal Emergency Management Agency**
  - Funding for planning, design and construction of projects and practices that use natural features or processes to promote climate adaptation and resilience.
  - **$1B**
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**BUREAU OF RECLAMATION**

- **Colorado River Basin Endangered Species Recovery Program**
  - Funding for implementation of Upper Colorado and San Juan Endangered Fish Recovery Programs, Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Plan and the Grand Canyon Protection Act.
  - **$50M**
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**New Program Rule Making Required**

- **DOT**
  - Wildlife Crossings Pilot Program
    - Establishes and funds a new competitive grant program to reduce wildlife-vehicle collisions and improve habitat connectivity for terrestrial and aquatic species.
    - $350M Minimal Non-Federal Match

- **USFS**
  - Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Program
    - Additional funding for the U.S. Forest Service’s Collaborative Forest Restoration Program, focused on science-based ecosystem restoration of priority forest landscapes, with priorities to include public drinking water source areas.
    - $100M

- **USFS/DOI**
  - Collaborative-Based, Aquatic-Focused Landscape-Scale Restoration Program
    - Funding for a new program between USDA and DOI to establish a collaborative, landscape-scale program for 5-year projects that restore water quality and fish passage on federal, tribal and private lands, with priority given to proposals that restore the most stream miles for the lowest federal cost.
    - $80M

- **EPA**
  - Clean Water Infrastructure Resilience and Sustainability Program
    - Establishment of and funding for a new EPA grant program for resilience and sustainability of publicly-owned water treatment works by reducing vulnerability to natural hazards through, among other things, water conservation, improved water efficiency and watershed enhancements through the use of natural and green infrastructure.
    - $25M Minimal Non-Federal Match

- **BUREAU OF RECLAMATION**
  - Large Scale Water Recycling
    - Funds a new competitive grant program for planning, design and construction of large-scale water recycling and reuse projects, with priority for multi-benefit projects that advance multi-state water management plans.
    - $1B Minimal Non-Federal Match

- **DOE**
  - Cross-Boundary Ecosystem Restoration Projects
    - Funding for DOI, in partnership with USDA, to fund voluntary ecosystem restoration projects on public, tribal or private land, with priority given to cross-boundary projects.
    - $400M

- **BUREAU OF RECLAMATION**
  - Water Desalination
    - Funding for certain water desalination projects and studies in accordance with the Water Desalination Act of 1996.
    - $250M Minimal Non-Federal Match

- **BUREAU OF RECLAMATION**
  - Small Water Storage and Groundwater Storage Projects
    - Establishes and funds a new BOR competitive grant program for new surface or groundwater storage projects of up to 10,000 acre-feet, with priority for projects that increase water management flexibility, provide multiple benefits (including ecosystem benefits) and address environmental justice considerations.
    - $100M

- **USFS**
  - BOR Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Program
    - Funding for the design, study and construction of aquatic ecosystem restoration and protection projects, with certain priorities for regional benefits, including affecting water resources in two or more river basins and other factors.
    - $250M Minimal Non-Federal Match

- **USFS**
  - Community Wildfire Defense Grant Program
    - Creates and funds a new grant program at the U.S. Forest Service to provide grants for communities, including tribal communities, at high risk for wildfires, with support for projects that reduce likelihood of fire, including those that contribute to forest restoration and watershed health.
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