

Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection



Original Project Text

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Benefits

- Helps the District exceed the conservation goal of 98,500 acre-feet per year by 2030.
- Reduces water demands and the need to invest in new or expanded water supply sources and associated infrastructure.
- Increases water supply reliability.
- Helps schools provide safe, clean drinking water to students and comply with state mandate.
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- 1. Award up to \$1 million to test new conservation activities.
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Geographic Area of Benefit

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Proposed Modifications

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