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America's Water Infrastructure Act of 2020

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Reported By	May 11, 2020

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Water Resources Development

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 HR 4031	Related bill	Jan 5, 2021: Became Public Law No: 116-294.
116 S 1811	Related bill	Dec 9, 2020: Message on House action received in Senate and at desk: House amendments to Senate bill.
116 S 3758	Related bill	Oct 30, 2020: Became Public Law No: 116-191.
116 HR 7705	Related bill	Jul 22, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
116 HR 7116	Related bill	Jun 30, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife.
116 HR 6985	Related bill	May 26, 2020: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
116 HR 6826	Related bill	May 12, 2020: Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
116 S 3633	Related bill	May 6, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
116 S 3603	Related bill	May 5, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
116 S 3274	Related bill	Feb 11, 2020: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
116 HR 1132	Related bill	Feb 10, 2020: Received in the Senate.
116 HR 5476	Related bill	Dec 19, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.
116 S 3082	Related bill	Dec 18, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
116 S 2636	Related bill	Oct 17, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
116 HR 3510	Related bill	Jul 25, 2019: Subcommittee Hearings Held.
116 S 2164	Related bill	Jul 18, 2019: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
116 HR 2470	Related bill	May 3, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

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This bill modifies water resources development projects operated by the Army Corps of Engineers and clean water programs operated by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The bill modifies cost share requirements for the construction and major rehabilitation of certain inland waterways navigation projects.

Additionally, the nonfederal cost share for certain projects may be reduced if a small or disadvantaged community's sustainability would be threatened without the project. Similarly, the Corps of Engineers may recommend a project without national economic development benefits if the project is necessary for an underserved, economically distressed, or rural community's sustainability. The Corps of Engineers must also construct small water storage projects in rural states.

The bill authorizes new projects, including projects for ecosystem restoration, flood risk management, and navigation. The bill also establishes programs for the prevention and control of certain invasive species.

Additionally, the EPA must provide specified assistance to small and medium publicly owned treatment works. Further, the EPA must award grants to small publicly owned treatment works for activities including those related to improving energy and waste efficiency. The EPA must also award grants to reduce emissions at ports from vessels.

Further, the bill reauthorizes through FY2024 the Clean Water State Revolving Fund, which provides financing for water quality infrastructure projects.

The bill also reauthorizes through FY2030 the Indian Irrigation Fund, which provides funds to maintain and repair Indian irrigation projects.

The Government Accountability Office must report on federal dams and reservoirs in western states.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 9, 2020:** By Senator Barrasso from Committee on Environment and Public Works filed written report. Report No. 116-288.
- **Nov 9, 2020:** An errata sheet on written report No. 116-288 was printed.
- **May 11, 2020:** Committee on Environment and Public Works. Reported by Senator Barrasso with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. Without written report.
- **May 11, 2020:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 453.
- **May 6, 2020:** Committee on Environment and Public Works. Committee consideration held. Business Meeting printed. S.Hrg. 116-201.
- **May 4, 2020:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 4, 2020:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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