



# APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE DEMOCRATS

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## *Love That Dirty Water?*

### The Republican Record on Clean Water

Republicans in Congress are attempting to cut efforts to keep America's water safe and clean by more than 50 percent - \$872 million - compared to just two years ago. The result? Communities across America would see funding to improve drinking water and protect vulnerable watersheds and estuaries cut off or significantly decreased while the family's water and sewer bill will be on the rise.

The Republican cuts began just as an Environmental Protection Agency report stated that America's safe and clean water infrastructure faces a \$388 billion shortfall over the next twenty years. That gap might seem insurmountable, but one of the very programs the Republican Congress has cut generated \$52 billion of safe and clean water construction projects from just the \$21 billion invested over the last 16 years. If Republicans get their way, however, America's investment in clean and safe water will have dropped from \$1.76 billion in 2004 to only \$888 million in 2007.

These cuts come from two core programs that improve water quality.

The **Clean Water State Revolving Fund** supports water quality protection projects for wastewater treatment, non-point source pollution control, and watershed and estuary management. In the past two years, Republicans have cut the Fund by \$463 million over two years from the programs highest funding level of \$1.35 billion in 2004. This year, Republicans would expand that cut to \$622 million.

**State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAGs)** fund local drinking water and sewer projects. In the past two years, STAG grants have been cut by \$210 million.

|   | 2004    | 2005    | 2006    | 2007<br>Republican<br>Proposal | 2007<br>Proposal<br>v. 2004 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>State and Tribal Assistance Grants</b> | \$410   | \$394   | \$200   | \$200                          | -\$210                      |
| <b>Clean Water State Revolving Fund</b>   | \$1,350 | \$1,092 | \$887   | \$688                          | -\$662                      |
| <b>Total, Clean Water Funding</b>         | \$1,760 | \$1,486 | \$1,087 | \$888                          | -\$872                      |

The Republican safe and clean water cuts will impact every community in America. Included is a state-by-state table showing just how much your state would lose if Republicans continue their assault on clean water programs.

# History of Republican Efforts to Cut the Clean Water State Revolving Fund - FY 2004 to FY 2007

| State or Region             | FY 04                  | FY 06                | FY 07 Request        | FY 06 v. FY 07      | FY 04 v. FY 07      |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|                             |                        |                      |                      | Request             | Request             |
| Alabama                     | 15,057,580             | 9,891,912            | 7,669,328            | -2,222,584          | -7,388,253          |
| Alaska                      | 8,059,422              | 5,294,548            | 4,104,932            | -1,189,616          | -3,954,490          |
| Arizona                     | 9,095,262              | 5,975,032            | 4,632,520            | -1,342,512          | -4,462,742          |
| Arkansas                    | 8,809,051              | 5,787,009            | 4,486,743            | -1,300,266          | -4,322,308          |
| California                  | 96,309,476             | 63,269,449           | 49,053,627           | -14,215,822         | -47,255,850         |
| Colorado                    | 10,771,574             | 7,076,267            | 5,486,322            | -1,589,945          | -5,285,252          |
| Connecticut                 | 16,497,008             | 10,837,527           | 8,402,476            | -2,435,051          | -8,094,532          |
| Delaware                    | 6,610,708              | 4,342,832            | 3,367,054            | -975,778            | -3,243,654          |
| District of Columbia        | 6,610,708              | 4,342,832            | 3,367,054            | -975,778            | -3,243,654          |
| Florida                     | 45,455,146             | 29,861,257           | 23,151,821           | -6,709,436          | -22,303,325         |
| Georgia                     | 22,768,221             | 14,957,332           | 11,596,614           | -3,360,718          | -11,171,607         |
| Hawaii                      | 10,429,491             | 6,851,539            | 5,312,087            | -1,539,452          | -5,117,404          |
| Idaho                       | 6,610,708              | 4,342,832            | 3,367,054            | -975,778            | -3,243,654          |
| Illinois                    | 60,902,917             | 40,009,500           | 31,019,886           | -8,989,614          | -29,883,031         |
| Indiana                     | 32,453,412             | 21,319,911           | 16,529,604           | -4,790,307          | -15,923,807         |
| Iowa                        | 18,225,234             | 11,972,866           | 9,282,719            | -2,690,147          | -8,942,515          |
| Kansas                      | 12,154,977             | 7,985,078            | 6,190,935            | -1,794,143          | -5,964,042          |
| Kentucky                    | 17,138,698             | 11,259,079           | 8,729,310            | -2,529,769          | -8,409,388          |
| Louisiana                   | 14,803,340             | 9,724,891            | 7,539,835            | -2,185,057          | -7,263,506          |
| Maine                       | 10,424,163             | 6,848,039            | 5,309,373            | -1,538,665          | -5,114,789          |
| Maryland                    | 32,569,266             | 21,396,020           | 16,588,613           | -4,807,408          | -15,980,653         |
| Massachusetts               | 45,720,196             | 30,035,379           | 23,286,820           | -6,748,559          | -22,433,376         |
| Michigan                    | 57,901,814             | 38,037,959           | 29,491,324           | -8,546,635          | -28,410,490         |
| Minnesota                   | 24,750,840             | 16,259,791           | 12,606,428           | -3,653,364          | -12,144,412         |
| Mississippi                 | 12,132,445             | 7,970,276            | 6,179,459            | -1,790,817          | -5,952,986          |
| Missouri                    | 37,330,566             | 24,523,904           | 19,013,701           | -5,510,202          | -18,316,864         |
| Montana                     | 6,610,708              | 4,342,832            | 3,367,054            | -975,778            | -3,243,654          |
| Nebraska                    | 6,887,785              | 4,524,854            | 3,508,178            | -1,016,676          | -3,379,606          |
| Nevada                      | 6,610,708              | 4,342,832            | 3,367,054            | -975,778            | -3,243,654          |
| New Hampshire               | 13,457,236             | 8,840,583            | 6,854,219            | -1,986,364          | -6,603,017          |
| New Jersey                  | 55,028,441             | 36,150,328           | 28,027,819           | -8,122,508          | -27,000,622         |
| New Mexico                  | 6,610,708              | 4,342,832            | 3,367,054            | -975,778            | -3,243,654          |
| New York                    | 148,635,813            | 97,644,659           | 75,705,174           | -21,939,485         | -72,930,639         |
| North Carolina              | 24,303,407             | 15,965,855           | 12,378,535           | -3,587,320          | -11,924,872         |
| North Dakota                | 6,610,708              | 4,342,832            | 3,367,054            | -975,778            | -3,243,654          |
| Ohio                        | 75,808,867             | 49,801,799           | 38,611,983           | -11,189,817         | -37,196,884         |
| Oklahoma                    | 10,879,512             | 7,147,175            | 5,541,298            | -1,605,877          | -5,338,214          |
| Oregon                      | 15,212,104             | 9,993,424            | 7,748,032            | -2,245,392          | -7,464,072          |
| Pennsylvania                | 53,341,472             | 35,042,092           | 27,168,590           | -7,873,502          | -26,172,882         |
| Rhode Island                | 9,041,978              | 5,940,028            | 4,605,381            | -1,334,647          | -4,436,597          |
| South Carolina              | 13,795,360             | 9,062,710            | 7,026,437            | -2,036,273          | -6,768,924          |
| South Dakota                | 6,610,708              | 4,342,832            | 3,367,054            | -975,778            | -3,243,654          |
| Tennessee                   | 19,562,051             | 12,851,074           | 9,963,605            | -2,887,469          | -9,598,446          |
| Texas                       | 61,548,718             | 40,433,752           | 31,348,814           | -9,084,938          | -30,199,905         |
| Utah                        | 7,095,440              | 4,661,271            | 3,613,944            | -1,047,327          | -3,481,496          |
| Vermont                     | 6,610,708              | 4,342,832            | 3,367,054            | -975,778            | -3,243,654          |
| Virginia                    | 27,558,903             | 18,104,517           | 14,036,668           | -4,067,850          | -13,522,235         |
| Washington                  | 23,417,981             | 15,384,184           | 11,927,558           | -3,456,626          | -11,490,422         |
| West Virginia               | 20,992,040             | 13,790,489           | 10,691,945           | -3,098,544          | -10,300,094         |
| Wisconsin                   | 36,405,100             | 23,915,929           | 18,542,331           | -5,373,598          | -17,862,769         |
| Wyoming                     | 6,610,708              | 4,342,832            | 3,367,054            | -975,778            | -3,243,654          |
| Territories (1)             | 20,910,744             | 13,737,082           | 10,650,539           | -3,086,544          | -10,260,205         |
| State and Territories Total | \$1,329,750,129        | \$873,564,690        | \$677,286,066        |                     |                     |
| Indian Tirbes Total         | 20,249,871             | 13,302,929           | 10,313,934           |                     |                     |
| <b>Total Funding</b>        | <b>\$1,350,000,000</b> | <b>\$886,867,619</b> | <b>\$687,600,000</b> | <b>-196,278,624</b> | <b>-652,464,063</b> |

(1) Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Northern Marianas, Guam and American Samoa account for about 1.57 percent of the total appropriations.  
Source: American Rivers calculations based on data from the Environmental Protection Agency