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ORANGE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT

Federal Update

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Issues

Legislative Issues:
Clean Water and Infrastructure, Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Liability, Clean Water Act Permits, and Flushable Wipes

Regulatory Issues:
PFAS and Biosolids, Effluent Limitations Guidelines, Water Quality Certification

Mid-Term Election Issues: Delegation, Control of Congress

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Legislative Issues

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Fiscal Year 2027 Appropriations

- USEPA Funding :
 - ✓ 20 Percent Overall Cut (\$200 Million Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund)
 - ✓ \$1 Billion Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund
 - ✓ \$1 Billion Earmarks
 - ✓ Waiving All Earmark Sole Source Mandates
 - ✓ Continued Support of BEACH Act and WIFIA Programs

PFAS Contamination Liability and Funding

- Senate and House Legislation Granting Water Sector Liability Exemption: Wastewater and Biosolids
- USEPA Administrator Urges Congress Pass Exemption Legislation
- House Legislation Imposing Excise Tax on PFAS Manufacturers/Producers and Funding Technology

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Legislative Issues

Wastewater Infrastructure Pollution Prevention and Environmental Safety Act or the WIPPES Act

- House and Senate Preparing Final Passage

Clean Water Act Permitting Reform

- House Legislation Pending In Senate
- Senate Bipartisan Negotiations Underway
 - ✓ Renewable Energy Priority
 - ✓ Streamlining National Environmental Policy Act Studies (NEPA)

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Regulatory Issues

- Biosolids and PFAS Land Application Guidance
- Rollback Additional Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) Drinking Water
- Effluent Limitation Guidelines
 - Source Control
- Water Quality Certification Limitations

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Mid-Term Outlook

- Congressional Delegation**
 - Representatives Kim and Calvert
 - Other OC San Members
 - California Delegation
- Senate**
 - Four Seats Toss-Up
 - Flip Would Change Policy Focus
- Mid-Term Results Drive Lame Duck**
 - Clean Water Act Reauthorization
 - PFAS Liability Exemption
 - Water Resources Development Act
 - Fiscal Year 2027 Appropriations
 - Permit Reform



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