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The Honorable Jeff Merkley Chairman
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U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations
Washington, D.C. 20510

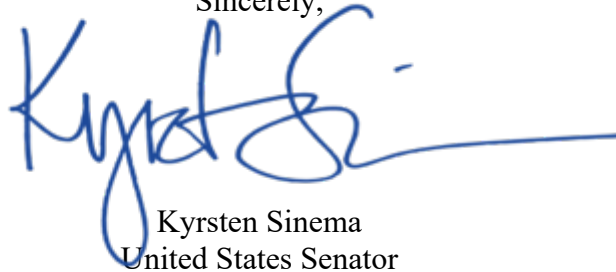
The Honorable Lisa Murkowski Ranking
Member
Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and
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U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations
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Dear Chair Merkley and Ranking Member Murkowski:

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending items that I have requested in the Fiscal Year 2024 Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies appropriations bill, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Thank you for your important work and leadership on the Senate Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Sub-Committee. None of the entities for which I have requested congressional directed spending are for-profit entities. If you have questions about any of these requests, please contact Austin Kennedy in my office (Austin_Kennedy@sinema.senate.gov). I appreciate your consideration of these requests.

Sincerely,



Kyrsten Sinema
United States Senator

**Sinema, Kyrsten(D-AZ) Interior and Environment
Congressionally Directed Spending Requests**

Recipient Name	Project Purpose	Project Location	Amount Requested (\$000)
Yavapai County Flood Control District	The proposed feasibility study aims to investigate the potential for implementing a combined project for flood mitigation and groundwater recharge along Zalesky Wash in Bridgeport, AZ.	Bridgeport AZ	\$920
City of Buckeye	Buckeye has entered into a Regional Partnership water agreement with Arizona Water to create resiliency and redundancy for emergency use through an interconnect line with Arizona Water. The partnership agreement is still being drafted but the parties are ready to proceed. Buckeye is seeking \$1.5 mil	Buckeye AZ	\$1,125
City of Bullhead City	The new well will require the installation of a new transmission line to move the water from the well to a reservoir for distribution to end customers. The transmission line will encompass approximately 4,500 feet of 16" PVC pipe, 8 isolation valves and labor and equipment to install the pipe.	Bullhead City AZ	\$3,000
City of Bullhead City	Mohave County drought indicators reflect the County as being under "Extreme Drought". The County continues to battle the toughest drought conditions ever. 200, 186 people in the County are affected by drought.	Bullhead City AZ	\$3,950
City of Bullhead City	The Section 10 Water Reclamation Plant (WRP) currently operates two aerobic digester basins. The older basin is an original Eimco bioreactor that was converted for use as an aerobic digester and sludge thickener in 1999.	Bullhead City AZ	\$3,500
Town of Camp Verde	The Town of Camp Verde requests \$2M for the construction and installation of a 2,000 gallon per minute (gpm) Arsenic Removal System at the existing Mongini well site and a 50 gpm system at the existing Verde River Estates Tank site. The total project cost is \$2.1M.	Camp Verde AZ	\$2,000
Town of Cave Creek	"The Town of Cave Creek ("Town") provides water and fire service to approximately 5,000 residential and business accounts within the Town's municipal limits and an unincorporated area west of the Town known as Desert Hills.	Cave Creek AZ	\$25,000
The Trust for Public Land	The Del Rio Springs Ranch is a critical 980 acres of land located in the Town of Chino Valley at the Verde River's headwaters, about 20 miles north of Prescott.	Chino Valley AZ	\$2,000
Town of Clarkdale	This project is the design to bring a new well, storage tank, and arsenic treatment plant for the Town of Clarkdale online. The Town has already spent \$33,064 to complete a feasibility study that assessed the need for specific treatment and it was identified that an arsenic treatment process will be	Clarkdale AZ	\$1,055
Tri-City Regional Sanitary District of Gila County, Arizona	The District encompasses approximately 5.3 square miles in Gila County, Arizona between the Town of Miami and the City of Globe. Approximately 4,700 residents will directly benefit from this collection and treatment system. This three-phase project consists of the installation of 150,000 linear feet	Claypool AZ	\$7,100
Coconino County	The Leroux Area Project is located within the Upper Rio de Flag watershed north of Flagstaff, AZ on the Coconino National Forest. In 2022, the Pipeline Fire started in the Schultz Creek watershed, a sub watershed of the Upper Rio de Flag watershed.	Coconino County AZ	\$2,560
Yavapai County Flood Control District	The proposed feasibility study aims to identify and prioritize flood mitigation projects in the neighborhood of the Cottonwood Irrigation Ditch that both mitigate neighborhood flooding and protect the Irrigation Ditch from damage and pollution/sedimentation.	Cottonwood AZ	\$1,065

City of Douglas	The project endeavors to install a lift station along James Ranch Road to provide wastewater service to the new commercial land port of entry.	Douglas AZ	\$2,601
Town of Duncan	This request is for Phase I of the Hunter Estates Flood Mitigation Project, which involves the permanent installation of 20 culverts to address the ongoing flooding that has necessitated repairs and maintenance for decades in the Hunter Estates area of rural Duncan, Arizona.	Duncan AZ	\$290
Town of Eagar	The Town of Eagar is looking to increase the water supply that can be stored by ridding our system of tanks that no longer meet minimum requirements for proper storage. This will increase the volume hold size as well with this new tank.	Eagar AZ	\$1,000
City of Flagstaff	The Flagstaff Prescribed Fire Training Exchange (TRES) creates annual prescribed fire operations and fire management training opportunities for fire fighters while achieving multiple organizations prescribed fire targets.	Flagstaff AZ	\$337
Town of Florence	This project will install a new vertical turbine well pump, controls, and appurtenances to Well #5. Once the equipment is installed, the new well will be connected to the existing onsite above-ground water storage system.	Florence AZ	\$1,600
Paloma Irrigation and Drainage District	"Paloma Irrigation and Drainage District (PIDD) would like to request critically needed funding for our Phase 2 – Drought Resiliency Water Conservation Project through the FY24 Congressionally Directed Spending Request.	Gila Bend AZ	\$372
Town of Gila Bend	The Town of Gila Bend owns an existing well, Well 6, which is a blending well that was originally designed for approximately 300 gallons per minute.	Gila Bend AZ	\$2,400
Town of Gilbert	The Stormwater Pump Station at a below grade railroad crossing on a major regional arterial street is planned for replacement of the controls and backup power connection.	Gilbert AZ	\$629
City of Glendale, AZ Well Rehabilitation	The City uses groundwater wells to supplement the drinking water supply for our residents and businesses, especially in times of drought.	Glendale AZ	\$1,500
Town of Kearny	Kearny has 3 miles of distribution and sewer lines in need of replacement. The aging infrastructure has also led to high water-loss rates from leaks in the water distribution network system. These aging pipes are filled with sludge and biofilm and are pocked with leaks and plagued by water-main brea	Kearny AZ	\$20,000
Mohave County	Mohave County requests \$3,000,000 in funding to construct a 400-foot-long, 14-barrel culvert crossing to accommodate the 4-lane Grace Neal Parkway over the Mohave Wash.	Kingman AZ	\$3,000
Riata Valley Basin	The City of Kingman is located in Mohave County in northwest Arizona and within the recently designated Hualapai Valley Irrigation Non-Expansion Area.	Kingman AZ	\$1,000
Lake Havasu City	Our estimated total project costs are \$2,500,000. We understand that this account may have a 20% cost-share requirement", so our match would be \$500,000. Therefore, we are requesting federal funding in the amount of \$2,000,000.	Lake Havasu City AZ	\$2,000
City of Mesa	Smart Meter Purchase (part of Project Phase II) Federal funding will assist in acquiring and installing around 12,000 AMI aka smart meters to be connected to properties in various vulnerable communities in Mesa. The focus is on neighborhoods with the most deteriorating infrastructure.	Mesa AZ	\$800
City of Mesa	Federal funding will support equipment for water transmission main inspection, condition assessment, and repair of a large diameter concrete cylinder pipe greater than 36" in diameter.	Mesa AZ	\$1,500

City of Mesa	Federal funding will support the development of Desert Well 24, which includes a new water well and equipment. The 30" diameter, 1200' deep well will be used to supply groundwater as Colorado River supplies are cut, and additional groundwater pumping is necessary.	Mesa AZ	\$2,000
San Carlos Apache Tribe	"The Indian Health Service's (IHS) Office of Environmental Health Division prepared a Preliminary Engineering Report (PER) for the San Carlos Apache Tribe (Tribe) that contained five alternatives as a solution for the rehabilitation of the dilapidated San Carlos Wastewater Treatment Facility.	Peridot AZ	\$8,000
Pima County	The Pima County Regional Wastewater and Reclamation District (RWRD) is requesting funding to replace the aging Prudence Pump Station with a conveyance system gravity line.	Pima County AZ	\$2,000
Town of Prescott Valley, Arizona	The project would allow for the removal of PFAS/PFOS "forever chemicals" from treated wastewater and allow for direct injection of this water into the aquifer once treated. This will preserve our most precious resource in the desert and help advance our water conservation efforts.	Prescott Valley AZ	\$2,400
City of Safford	The City has issued a PO to start the design which includes a 200,000 gallon storage tank and fire pump to assist with adequate fire protection to support growth and meet fire protection standards. Construction costs estimates will be changed once preliminary estimates are received.	Safford AZ	\$2,640
City of Show Low	The Savage Sewer Line serves as one of Show Low's larger transmission sewer mains. About a quarter of the City's wastewater flows through this major sewer line on its way to the treatment plant.	Show Low AZ	\$2,532
Yuma County	A funding application is being submitted by Yuma County on behalf of the Orange Grove (OG) and Rancho Mesa Verde (RMV) (OGRMV) Improvement District to provide sewer services to the OGRMV subdivisions colonias, which are low-income, high density housing units.	Somerton AZ	\$1,623
Maricopa Water District	"Maricopa Water District (MWD) is making a request for critically needed funding for our Phase 1 – Beardsley Canal System Modernization Project through the FY24 Congressionally Directed Spending Request. MWD is in the City of Surprise in Maricopa County, AZ.	Surprise AZ	\$2,325
City of Tempe	The Recharge Wells Pipelines Project is a critical element of the Kyrene Reclamation Facilities and Improvements Project which will provide the remaining recharge capacity required to store reclaimed water from the KRF in the underground aquifer for future recovery from the City's potable water well	Tempe AZ	\$3,380
City of Tempe	The entire project encompasses all the necessary work to reactivate and construct the overall Kyrene Reclamation Facility (KRF) and Recharge Facilities Project. The KRF is the City's sole reclamation facility and was removed from service in 2010.	Tempe AZ	\$2,850
City of Tolleson	Located at site 4, the City of Tolleson's water system is in need of a two million gallon storage tank. The existing tank has been evaluated and is unable to be repaired. This new tank allows the City to establish redundancy to meet peak demand as well as for maintenance.	Tolleson AZ	\$2,400
City of Tolleson	The Tolleson WWTP provides treatment to the cities of Tolleson, Youngtown, and Sun City, Arizona. Digester #4 is a piece of equipment that has been in an inoperable state since 2010 and is in need of major rehabilitation.	Tolleson AZ	\$2,400
Town of Camp Verde	"The Town requests \$5M to help fund Phase 1 of the Hwy 260 Northbound Sewer Collection System Expansion Phase 1 (Phase 1). The total Phase 1 project cost is \$17.7M of which the total Phase 1B project cost is \$5M. The Town has invested \$1.2M in Phase 1A for the design.	Town of Camp Verde AZ	\$5,000

City of Tucson - Tucson Water Department	The City of Tucson is seeking \$3.75 million in federal funds for Randolph Park PFAS Project.	Tucson AZ	\$3,750
City of Tucson - Tucson Water Department	The Shirley C. Scott Southeast Area Recharge Project (SHARP) is a constructed recycle water recharge project located in southeast Tucson. The SHARP facility was completed and commenced recharge in 2020. The project was designed for future expansion to increase the recharge capacity.	Tucson AZ	\$1,984
Kozolchyk National Law Center	Using blockchain technology to register TKCs along with legal strategy, NatLaw proposes this project as a comprehensive protective initiative. A collective entity representing the interests of the Navajo people would implement this strategy.	Tucson AZ	\$275
Moenkopi Utility Authority	Funding for this project would be used to address the current deficiencies including 1) a water supply deficit of 44 GPM, 2) an additional transmission line from in-service wells to the main water storage tank, 3) a new backhoe and work truck for the Moencopi Utility Authority.	Upper Moenkopi Village/Village of Moencopi (Lower)/Tuba City AZ	\$1,730
Town of Wickenburg	Santa Cruz / Adams Project will Install 1,175 ft of "DIP" add 8 ADA Ramps, add 3 Fire Hydrants, includes Asphalt Replacement. This project includes 20 New Services – Looped System Benefitting More Than 750 Residents on Santa Cruz Street and Adams Street.	Wickenburg AZ	\$1,185
Town of Wickenburg	Town of Wickenburg is in serious need of improvements at the South Wastewater Treatment Plant Sludge Pump Pit.	Wickenburg AZ	\$1,425
Town of Wickenburg	Town of Wickenburg is in serious need of a Headworks Upgrade and Improvements at the South Wastewater Treatment Plant.	Wickenburg AZ	\$1,200
Land Advisors Organization	This request will restore the Upper Verde River Watershed-Yavapai Ranch Land and Water Conservation Fund Phase 2 project to the level requested by Prescott NF and USFS Southwestern Region for FY 24, which was supported by both Senators and a host of others at state, regional, tribal and local levels	Yavapai County AZ	\$8,160
Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area Corporation	From 1999 to 2010, a partnership of the Quechan Indian Tribe, City of Yuma, Arizona Game and Fish Dept. and the Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area invested \$10 million of local, state, federal and foundation funds in the establishment of 380 acres of restored wetlands.	Yuma AZ	\$500