



## **2023 Supplemental Funding for Natural Disasters and Emergencies**

The [Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023, \(H.R. 2617\)](#), provided additional funding for the Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds (SRFs) and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to address national disasters and emergencies.

### **Hurricane Fiona and Hurricane Ian**

Congress provided \$655,210,000 to Clean Water SRFs and \$402,000,000 to Drinking Water SRFs for states in EPA Region 2 and 4 that were impacted by Hurricanes Fiona and Ian. The law waives state match and requires 100% of funding to be used as additional subsidy in the form of principal forgiveness, grants or negative interest loans.

The law included this provision: "That the funds appropriated under this paragraph in this Act shall be used for eligible projects whose purpose is to reduce flood or fire damage risk and vulnerability or to enhance resiliency to rapid hydrologic change or natural disaster at treatment works, as defined by section 212 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, or any eligible facilities under section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act, and for other eligible tasks at such treatment works or facilities necessary to further such purposes.

### **Eligible States and Territories**

Region 2: New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands

Region 4: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee

### **Drinking Water in Jackson, Mississippi**

Congress provided \$450 million to the Mississippi Drinking Water SRF for Jackson, Mississippi. The law waives match and requires 100% of funding to be used as additional subsidy in the form of principal forgiveness, grants, negative interest loans, other loan forgiveness, and through buying, refinancing, or restructuring debt or any combination.

Congress provided \$150 million to EPA to provide technical assistance and grants to States or publicly owned water systems to respond to an emergency affecting public water systems. 42 USC 300j-1 (b) Emergency Situations