# Agenda

#### 2:30 – 3:00 PM Launch of the National Water Reuse Action Plan—Federal Leadership

- Administrator Andrew Wheeler, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- Secretary David Bernhardt, U.S. Department of the Interior
- Secretary Sonny Perdue, U.S. Department of Agriculture
- Chairman Mary Neumayr, Council on Environmental Quality
- Congressman Bruce Westerman, Fourth District of Arkansas
- Governor Kevin Stitt, Oklahoma (video remarks), introduction by Kenneth Wagner, Oklahoma Secretary of Energy and the Environment

#### 3:00 – 4:00 PM National Water Reuse Action Plan—Collaborative Implementation

#### Actions to Support Implementation of Water Reuse

David Ross, Assistant Administrator for Water, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

#### Perspectives from Water Reuse Practitioners

- Gilbert Trejo, Chief Technical Officer, El Paso Water, TX
- Christophe Cros, Chairman, SUEZ North America
- Paul Jones, General Manager, Eastern Municipal Water District, CA

#### Example Actions by WRAP Leaders - Video Collage

- Patricia Sinicropi, Executive Director, WateReuse Association
- Paula Kehoe, Director of Water Resources, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission
- Adam Krantz, CEO, National Association of Clean Water Agencies
- Alon Zask, Senior Deputy Director General for Natural Resources, Israeli Ministry of Environmental Protection

#### International View – Taking the WRAP Global

Marcia Bernicat, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, U.S. Department of State

#### **Federal Leadership and Commitment**

- Dr. Tim Petty, Assistant Secretary for Water and Science, U.S. Department of the Interior
- Daniel Simmons, Assistant Secretary, U.S. Department of Energy
- Ryan Fisher, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- Brenda Burman, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Department of the Interior
- Matt Lohr, Chief, Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture

#### Closing Remarks - Our Collective Commitment to WRAP Implementation

David Ross, Assistant Administrator for Water, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Event will be livestreamed; registered press in attendance.

# **National Water Reuse Action Plan**

# **Collaborative Implementation (Version 1)**



The Gates Foundation

# Improving the Security, Sustainability, and Resilience of **Our Nation's Water Resources**

February 27, 2020 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Washington, DC

<sup>66</sup> Diversifying our nation's water portfolio must be a nationwide priority, and water reuse has the potential to ensure the viability of our water economy for generations to come.



Eastern Municipal Water Distric

## Launch Event

We thank all the action leaders, partners, and collaborators and encourage others to join the effort... Together, we can make considerable progress as we move into a new era of collaborative action and accountability and ensure the security, sustainability, and resilience of our nation's water resources.

-Andrew R. Wheeler, Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

#### **Integrated Watershed Action**

Develop a Federal Policy Statement to Support and Encourage Consideration of Water Reuse in a Watershed-Scale Planning Context (Action 2.1.1) *Action Leader: EPA* 

Prepare Case Studies of Successful Water Reuse Applications Within an Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM) Framework (Action 2.1.2) *Action Leader: WateReuse* 

Leverage EPA's Water Partnership Programs to Consider Water Reuse in the Context of Integrated Water Resources Management at the Watershed Scale (New Action 2.1.4) *Action Leader: EPA* 

#### **Policy Coordination**

Compile Existing State Policies and Approaches to Water Reuse (Action 2.2.1) Action Leaders: EPA, WateReuse, ACWA, ASDWA

Enhance State Collaboration on Water Reuse (Action 2.2.2)

Action Leaders: EPA, ACWA, ASDWA

Complete the EPA Study of Oil and Gas Extraction Wastewater Management (Action 2.2.3) *Action Leader: EPA* 

Enhance Wastewater Source Control through Local Pretreatment Programs to Support Water Reuse Opportunities for Municipal Wastewater (Action 2.2.4) *Action Leaders: NACWA, WEF* 

Develop Informational Materials to Address How CWA NPDES Permits Can Facilitate Water Reuse/Capture (Action 2.2.6)

#### Action Leaders: EPA, ACWA

Utilize Existing Multi-Agency Federal Working Groups to Serve as Forums for Coordinated Federal Engagement on Water Reuse (Action 2.2.7) *Action Leader: EPA*  Align Policies and Communication Tools to Promote Best Management of Unused and Expired Pharmaceuticals to Support Water Reuse and Recycling (Action 2.2.9) *Action Leader: LACSD* 

Leverage Existing U.S. Department of Agriculture Programs to Encourage Consideration and Integration of Agricultural Water Reuse (Action 2.2.12) *Action Leader: USDA* 

Conduct Outreach and Training with Tribes to Build Water Reuse Capacity (Action 2.2.15) *Action Leader: EPA* 

Support Local and Regional Reuse Projects by Identifying Challenges, Opportunities, and Models for Interagency Collaboration (New Action 2.2.16) *Action Leaders: Eric Rosenblum, WateReuse, EPA* 

Propose U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Nationwide Permit Addressing Reuse (New Action 2.2.17) *Action Leader: USACE* 

#### **Science and Specifications**

Compile Existing Fit-for-Purpose Specifications (Action 2.3.1)

Action Leader: EPA

Convene Experts to Address Opportunities and Challenges Related to Urban Stormwater Capture and Use (Action 2.3.3)

Action Leaders: EPA, JFW, NMSA, ReNUWIt, WateReuse, WEF

Develop Research and Tools to Support the Implementation of Onsite Non-Potable Water Reuse Systems (ONWS) (Action 2.3.4, previously 2.6.5) *Action Leaders: NBRC for ONWS* 

Assess Specifications for Potential Reuse of Wastewater in Food Animal Protein Processing Facilities (New Action 2.3.5) *Action Leader: EPA* 

<sup>66</sup> The WRAP presents a unique opportunity for the water sector, policy-makers, and the broader public to collaborate on a set of specific activities that collectively can result in significant progress toward advancing the adoption of water recycling practices across the [United States].

-WateReuse Association, National Association of Clean Water Agencies, American Water Works Association, Water Environment Federation, Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies, Water Research Foundation



(i)

´\$

# Technology Development and Validation

Implement New Mexico Produced Water Research Consortium to Identify and Fill Science and Technology Gaps for Off-Field Use of Treated Produced Water (Action 2.4.2)

#### Action Leader: NMED

Support Water Reuse Through the U.S. Department of Energy's Water Security Grand Challenge (Action 2.4.3) *Action Leader: DOE* 

Promote Air-Cooling Condensate Water Reuse Standards, Methods, Tools, and Technologies for Implementing Systems in Large Buildings (New Action 2.4.5)

Action Leaders: ASHRAE, IAPMO, EPA, WW, WTA

#### Water Information Availability

Foster U.S. Department of Agriculture Watershed-Scale Pilot Projects to Share Water Information to Support Water Reuse Actions (Action 2.5.1) *Action Leader: USDA* 

Develop National Integrated Water Availability Assessments (New Action 2.5.4) *Action Leader: USGS* 

#### **Finance Support**



Clarify and Communicate the Eligibility of Water Reuse Under the Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) Programs (Action 2.6.2A)

#### Action Leader: EPA

Continue to Actively Support and Communicate the Eligibility of Water Infrastructure and Financing Innovation Act (WIFIA) Funding for Water Reuse (Action 2.6.2B)

#### Action Leader: EPA

Compile and Promote Existing U.S. Department of Agriculture Funding and Resources for Rural Communities (Action 2.6.4) *Action Leader: USDA* 



R



### **Integrated Research**

Develop a Coordinated National Research Strategy on Water Reuse (Action 2.7.2) *Action Leader: WRF* 

Increase Understanding of Current Aquifer Storage and Recovery Practices (Action 2.7.4) *Action Leaders: GWPC, EPA* 

Coordinate and Promote Water Reuse Technology in Federal Small Business Innovation Research Programs (New Action 2.7.5) *Action Leader: EPA* 

Develop U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Advanced Water Treatment Research Roadmap (New Action 2.7.6) *Action Leader: Reclamation* 



#### **Outreach and Communications**

Compile and Develop Water Reuse Program Outreach and Communication Materials (Action 2.8.1) *Action Leader: WateReuse* 

Establish a Water Reuse Champion Award Program for Private Sector Companies (New Action 2.8.4) *Action Leaders: GreenBiz, WateReuse* 



#### Workforce Development

Support and Promote Opportunities for Creating a Skilled Workforce for Water Reuse Applications (Action 2.9.2)

Action Leaders: EPA, WateReuse, AWWA, WEF



#### **Metrics for Success**

Facilitate Implementation of the National Water Reuse Action Plan (Action 2.10.3) *Action Leader: EPA* 



### **International Collaboration**

Facilitate U.S.-Israel Collaboration on Technology, Science, and Policy of Water Reuse (New Action 2.11.1) *Action Leaders: EPA, MoEP* 

Raise Global Awareness and Preparedness for Water Reuse and the Water Reuse Action Plan (New Action 2.11.2) *Action Leader: DOS* 

## **Continuing Implementation: 2020 and Beyond**

#### WRAP Online Platform (<u>www.epa.gov/waterreuse</u>)

- Searchable access to all actions (developed and undeveloped)
- Contact information for action owners and partners to facilitate collaboration
- Complete listing of action implementation milestones
- Regular updates to reflect progress on existing milestones and to add new milestones, collaborators, and actions

# Imagining Development of the Action Plan (Version 2)... Ongoing stakeholder engagement and communication

Issue Federal Register notice for public input (September 2020)

 Report on implementation progress and initiate Version 2 at the 35th Annual WateReuse Symposium (Denver, CO; September 2020)

Release Version 2 during Water Week (April 2021)