



# CSWEA Webinar Series

Tuesday – April 26, 2022

11:30 A.M. to 1:00 PM

## Topic: IJJA and BIL Funding: Navigating Congressional and Executive Agency Actions

There are a host of important Congressional and Executive Agency actions that are relevant and impactful to water systems across the country. One of the most important actions recently was the passage of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), signed into law November 15, 2021. In working to distribute the money appropriated in IIJA, EPA recently issued a memo titled, “Implementation of the Clean Water and drinking Water State Revolving Fund Provisions of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law” (EPA Memo). This webinar will cover both the impactful provisions of IIJA as well as the contents of the EPA memo, and some actions water systems could take to best position themselves to be eligible for the funding provided by IIJA. Another area where action is imminent is surrounding per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). This presentation will walk through actions EPA has committed to take on these substances as well as discuss the current Congressional landscape surrounding these contaminants.

11:30 am **Presentation – Jessica Kramer | Senior Policy Advisor & Counsel**

1:00 pm **Adjourn**



**Jessica Kramer** is a career water and natural resources attorney with experience at the state, federal and executive levels. A former water counsel to Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works, Jessica understands Capitol Hill and water agency mindsets and how to navigate regulatory and legislative action. During her time with the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works under Ranking Member Shelley Moore-Capito (R-WV), Jessica provided legal and policy counsel on all matters related to water. She was the principal Republican staffer responsible for drafting, negotiating, and managing the Drinking Water and

Wastewater Infrastructure Act of 2021, which passed the Senate 89-2. She was also the lead Republican staffer on the water and water-related provisions contained in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021, signed into law in November 2021. At the Environmental Protection Agency, Jessica honed her understanding of the enforcement of executive action through oversight of the agency’s review of the Clean Water Act, coordinating actions related to per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) and preparing the assistant administrator and other senior agency leaders to testify before congressional committees. Prior to her time at EPA, Jessica served as an Assistant Attorney General in Wisconsin’s Department of Justice, as well as at the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources as an Environmental Enforcement Specialist and a Staff Attorney.

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