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**New Clean Water Infrastructure & Highway Construction May Be Ahead**  
*NUCA Applauds House Chairman Rep. DeFazio and His Committee  
For Action on Water Infrastructure and Creating Jobs*

(Fairfax, Va.) – *The chief executive officer of the National Utility Contractors Association (NUCA), Doug Carlson, issued the following statement on the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee passage of H.R. 1915, the Water Quality Protection and Job Creation Act of 2021:*

“America’s utility construction industry applauds the bipartisan 42-25 passage of the Water Quality Protection and Job Creation Act in today’s House committee markup. I commend Chairman DeFazio for advancing legislation to deliver to communities across the nation the resources needed to address their aging water and wastewater infrastructure. The costs of delivering clean water and removing wastewater have grown significantly, but the cost of inaction is even higher.

NUCA looks forward to the entire House of Representatives approving H.R. 1915 in the weeks ahead. Our industry’s 570,000 employees are eager to work with the U.S. Senate, the House T&I Committee and other House committees to similarly address other critical infrastructure issues such as broadband improvements for all Americans.

Infrastructure is too important for Congress to let it sit in legislative limbo—a community’s obsolete or leaking water system isn’t going to fix itself without resources.”

A comprehensive list of the utility construction industry’s 2021 legislative infrastructure priorities [can be found here](#) or be reviewed online at [www.nuca.com](http://www.nuca.com) under Media/Comment Letters, dated March 3, 2021.

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