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Chairman DeFazio's "Ambitious Number" Strikes Gold
NUCA Strongly Supports New Water & Wastewater Funding Levels In Bill

(Fairfax, Va.) – *The chief executive officer of the National Utility Contractors Association (NUCA), Doug Carlson, issued the following statement about the "Water Quality Protection and Job Creation Act of 2021":*

"America's utility construction industry and NUCA applaud House Chairman DeFazio's bold and ambitious thinking in this new legislation. \$40 billion for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund, the nation's primary resource conduit to build new water and wastewater systems in America's communities, compellingly addresses the long-standing need for better water infrastructure in the United States."

"This bipartisan bill will create thousands of new jobs, and deliver relief to millions of Americans in places like Texas or Mississippi who now face shortages in the most basic of human needs: access to clean and safe water supplies. NUCA members see first-hand everyday our neglected community infrastructure and welcome the passage of this legislation."

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

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About The National Utility Contractors Association (NUCA)

Founded in 1964, the National Utility Contractors Association represents nearly 1,700 U.S. utility and excavation contractors, manufacturers, and suppliers who provide the materials and workforce to build and maintain our nation's intricate network of water, sewer, gas, telecommunications, and electric infrastructure. NUCA is found online at www.nuca.com, and can be followed on Twitter at [@NUCA_National](https://twitter.com/NUCA_National). The association's Twitter hashtags are #WeDigAmerica and #NUCAdigs.