



The Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) program accelerates investment in our nation's water infrastructure by providing long-term, low-cost supplemental loans for regionally and nationally significant projects.

WATER RENEWAL SERVICES CAPITAL INVESTMENTS PROJECT

BORROWER: City of Boise

LOCATION: Boise, Idaho

WIFIA LOAN AMOUNT: \$263,903,041

TOTAL WIFIA PROJECT COSTS: \$816,044,488

POPULATION SERVED BY PROJECT: 235,000 people

NUMBER OF JOBS CREATED: 1,725 jobs

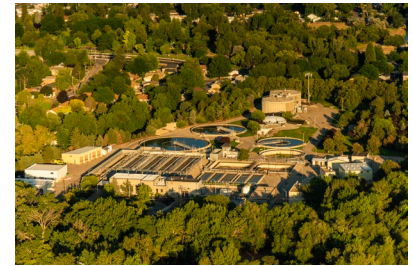


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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Water Renewal Services Capital Investments Project in Boise, Idaho will protect Boise River water quality, expand wastewater treatment capacity, support compliance with anticipated regulatory requirements, and enhance resiliency to the impacts of climate change. According to the City of Boise's Boise Climate Adaptive Assessment (BCAA), Boise is experiencing an increasing frequency of extreme weather events and increasing irrigation demand that has led to lower stream flows from the Boise River and poor water quality. To address these issues, this WIFIA loan will support the planning, design, and construction of projects that will modernize the City of Boise's wastewater collections and conveyance system and improve its wastewater treatment facilities. Rehabilitation of the City's collection and conveyance system will maintain reliable sewer service. By incorporating advanced treatment processes at its wastewater treatment facilities, the City will protect the Boise River's water quality and enhance the community's resiliency to climate change by maintaining discharge levels into the Boise River. EPA's WIFIA loan will also support the planning and design of a new recycled water facility. This is the first of two loans that will commit nearly \$400 million in WIFIA assistance to provide funding certainty for the largest capital investment in the City of Boise's history.

PROJECT BENEFITS

- Protects water quality and addresses environmental concerns while supporting sustained population growth.
- Supports compliance with anticipated regulatory requirements.
- Saves the City of Boise approximately \$52.8 million by financing with a WIFIA loan.