Environmental Protection Agency – Drought Resources

EPA Drought Page

https://www.epa.gov/natural-disasters/drought

Fed FUNDS - presents information tailored to water and wastewater utilities on federal disaster and mitigation funding programs from EPA, FEMA, HUD and SBA. Search by type of utility (e.g. public, private non-profit) and see numerous success stories in your state. https://www.epa.gov/fedfunds

EPA Climate Adaption Implementation Plans - EPA's major offices, including the National Program and Regional Offices and the Office of Policy, have each developed a Climate Adaption Implementation Plan.

Climate Adaptation Plans | US EPA

EPA's Drought Response and Recovery Guide - This interactive, user-friendly guide provides worksheets, best practices, videos and key resources for responding to drought emergencies and building long-term resilience. The guide relays lessons learned from nine small- to medium-sized utilities nationwide that have responded to extreme drought conditions. Drought Response and Recovery – A Basic Guide for Water Utilities, August 2018 (epa.gov)

EPA's Creating Resilient Water Utilities - provides drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater (water sector) utilities with practical tools, training, and technical assistance needed to increase resilience to climate change. Creating Resilient Water Utilities (CRWU) | US EPA

Climate Resilience Evaluation and Awareness Tool - assists water sector utilities in assessing climate-related risks to utility assets and operations. Throughout CREAT's five modules, users consider climate impacts and identify adaptation options to increase resilience. https://www.epa.gov/crwu/climate-resilience-evaluation-and-awareness-tool-creat-risk-assessme nt-application-water

WaterSense - labeled products are backed by independent, third-party certification and meet EPA's specifications for water efficiency and performance. WaterSense | US EPA

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 Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) | US EPA

Incident Action Checklists for Water Utilities - Incident Action Checklists for Water Utilities US EPA including one for drought: Incident Action Checklist Drought (epa.gov)

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund - Communities may use the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) to address and mitigate the impact of drought on their drinking water systems. Addressing and Mitigating Drought with the DWSRF (epa.gov)

Clean Water State Revolving Fund - can be used to support Water Reuse

CWSRF Reuse Best Practices (epa.gov)

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

Bipartisan Infrastructure Law | US EPA Bipartisan Infrastructure Law: A Historic Investment in Water Fact Sheet (epa.gov)

Inflation Reduction Act

Inflation Reduction Act | US EPA

Environmental Justice Grants, Funding and Technical Assistance

https://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/environmental-justice-grants-funding-and-technical-assistance

EJScreen: Environmental Justice Screening and Mapping Tool – now includes climate and drought layers. https://www.epa.gov/ejscreen

EPA Region 7's Community Information Guide provides communities, nonprofits, stakeholder groups, community-based organizations, academia, tribes, state and local governments, and other partners with the latest news and information on funding and technical assistance opportunities, meetings, conferences, events, webinars, and other activities related to human health and the environment.

https://www.epa.gov/aboutepa/community-information-guide