

² Chesapeake Bay Foundation, *The Economic Benefits of Cleaning Up the Chesapeake*, October 2005.

The Honorable Patrick Leahy, Chairman, U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations
The Honorable Richard Shelby, Ranking Member, U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations
The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro, Chair, U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Appropriations
The Honorable Kay Granger, Ranking Member, U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Appropriations

EPA Chesapeake Bay Program Funding (IIJA)

- \$238M Total Funding**

Clean Water State Revolving Fund (IIJA)

- \$878.475M Total Funding***

USDA Conservation Programs (BBB)

- \$579.8M Total Funding***

***Estimates based on past allocations**

EPA Chesapeake Bay Program Funding (IIJA)

\$238M IN SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS OR
\$47.6M FROM FY2022-FY2026

EPA allocation plans still unclear
Future Appropriations still needed

Clean Water State Revolving Fund (IIJA)

FY 2020 CWSRF funding for the Chesapeake Bay region was \$122.832M. Supplemental funding through IIJA:

FY2022 -\$142.65M

FY2023 -\$165.15M

FY2024 -\$180.225M

FY2025-\$195.225M

FY2026 - \$195.225M

USDA Conservation Programs (BBB)

\$360M from Environmental Quality Incentives Program

- ▶ FY22- \$12M, FY23 - \$20M, FY24 - \$70M, FY 25 - \$120M , FY26 - \$138M

\$121.5M from Conservation Stewardship Program

- ▶ FY22 - \$3.75M, FY23 - \$7.5M, FY24- \$12.75M, FY25- \$11.25M, FY26-\$22.5M

\$38M from Regional Conservation Partnership Program

- ▶ FY22- \$1.5M, FY23-\$2.5M, FY24-\$7.5M, FY25-\$7.5M, FY26-\$15.25M

\$24.3M from Agricultural Conservation Easement Program

- ▶ FY22-\$1.3M, FY23-\$2.6M, FY24-\$3.9M, FY25-\$7.5M, FY26-\$9M

\$36M from NRCS Conservation Operations

* All still subject to change based on BBB negotiations

Chesapeake Bay Commission top FY 2022 budget priorities

Environmental Protection Agency

- ▶ Chesapeake Bay Program: \$90.5M

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

- ▶ Chesapeake Watershed Investments for Landscape Defense (WILD): \$15M

Department of Defense

- ▶ Stormwater and Environmental Resiliency

U.S. Geological Survey

- ▶ Chesapeake Ecosystem Science and Monitoring: \$16M

*All FY 2022 appropriations are operating under a continuing resolution until 2/18

Environmental Protection Agency Chesapeake Bay Program

- ▶ The House and Senate FY 2022 Appropriations bills include \$90.5M for the EPA Bay Program.
- ▶ The funding increase of \$3M over FY 2021 would benefit the grant programs and most-effective basins allocation.
- ▶ The EPA Bay Program is authorized at the following levels going forward: FY 2022 - \$90.5M; FY 2023 - \$91M; FY 2024 - \$91.5M; FY 2025 - \$92M.
- ▶ Continued advocacy to sustain these funding levels and uses through the regular appropriations process will be required.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Chesapeake Water Investments for Landscape Defense (WILD)

- ▶ New program created in 2020 to fund grants for wildlife and ecosystem restoration in the Bay region.
- ▶ The House FY 2022 Interior Appropriations bill funds WILD at the authorized level of \$15M
- ▶ The Senate FY 2022 Interior Appropriations bill funds WILD at \$5M.
- ▶ Conference negotiations will take place in February.

U.S. Geological Survey Chesapeake Ecosystem Science & Monitoring

- ▶ Decision-makers at all levels throughout the watershed rely on USGS science, monitoring and analysis.
- ▶ The House FY 2022 Interior Appropriations bill includes a \$400K increase for activities in the Bay region.
- ▶ The Senate FY 2022 Interior Appropriations bill includes a \$1.2M increase for activities in the Bay region.
- ▶ Conference negotiations will take place in February.

Department of Defense stormwater and environmental resiliency

- ▶ The FY 2022 National Defense Authorization Act, as signed into law on December 27, 2021, provides new authorization for funding of stormwater infrastructure projects through several accounts: military construction, resilience, Energy Resilience and Conservation Investment Program (ERCIP), Defense Community Infrastructure Program (DCIP), Defense Access Roads.
- ▶ The House and Senate FY 2022 Military Construction Appropriations bill encourage use of ERCIP funds for stormwater infrastructure.