

## Water Policy Resources

### NCSL

The NCSL [Environment and Natural Resources State Bill Tracking Database](#) compiles legislation related to wastewater, water allocation and supply planning, water conservation and efficiency, water infrastructure and water quality (both for drinking water and bodies of water).

The [NCSL Environmental and Natural Resources Research & Policy](#) webpage also contains information on key water issues areas, to include:

- [State Water Governance: Approaches from Six Western States](#)
- [Groundwater 101: The Basics on the Earth's Most Precious Resource](#)
- [State Water Governance Handout](#)
- [States Help Farmers, Ranchers Adapt to a Future With Less Water](#)
- [State Policy Options for Small and Rural Water Systems](#)
- [Protecting Wild Waters: State Policy Options](#)
- [Growing into the Future: Water-Resilient Agriculture](#)
- [Green Infrastructure](#)
- [Wetlands](#)
- [Soil Health](#)

### External

- The University of Nebraska-Lincoln Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources provides a [six-part series of articles](#) covering basic water law in the United States, predominately in the western part of the country, and how it affects water resources.
- The National Agricultural and Rural Development Policy Center – [U.S. Water Policy: Trends and Future Directions](#)
- The US Water Alliance – [Water Policy Resources](#) webpage provides reports, toolkits and case studies.
- EPA
  - [Drought Resilience and Water Conservation](#)
  - [Water Quality Standards: Regulations and Resources](#)
  - [Asset Management: A Handbook for Small Water Systems](#)
- The US Geological Survey – [Water Resources of the United States](#) including on water quality, water use, flood and droughts, and groundwater.
- National Agricultural Law Center
  - [Water Law page](#)
  - [Water Law overview](#)
  - [Compilation of State Water Law Statutes](#)
- National Regulatory Research Institute – [Small Water Systems: Surveying State Utility Commission Best Practices](#)
- [National Rural Water Association](#)

- American Water Works Association – [Resources for Small Systems](#)
- Washington State Department of Health – [Guide for small public water systems using groundwater](#)
- University of North Carolina – [Strategies for Water Utilities with Aging Infrastructure](#)
- Environmental Council of States – Water policy [area of focus](#)