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Unprecedented federal investment in forestry



Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act / Bipartisan Infrastructure Law

- First new cost-share program in 20-30 years for USFS State & Private Forestry: Community Wildfire Defense Grants \$1 billion
- First time federal funding implement State Forest Action Plans \$200 million
- REPLANT Act
- To accommodate influx of funding, nonfederal match reduced or eliminated where not statutorily required



Inflation Reduction Act

\$1.5 billion for Urban & Community Forestry

\$100 million for Wood Innovation Grant Program (USFS SPF)

\$450 million to USFS for forest carbon grants to private landowners

\$2 billion to USFS for NFS fuels reduction

Funding is upfront and expires after 10 years



Challenges:

Capacity
Demand
Tracking
Capital needs



Other topics

