

EPA hands out \$4 billion in stimulus funds for wastewater

April 6 -- The U.S. EPA has begun handing out more than \$4 billion in economic stimulus funds to states for use for upgrading wastewater infrastructure.

The cash doled out so far includes \$430 million to New York state -- the largest single EPA grant in the agency's history.

"EPA is committed to being part of the solution in this economic downturn," agency Administrator Lisa Jackson said. "By keeping the waterways clean and healthy, we're bringing new jobs and new opportunities to local communities. Protecting human health and the environment is a great way to put people to work and stimulate our economy."

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