

California American Water President Addresses New ASCE Report Card, Urges More Investment in Critical Water Infrastructure

SAN DIEGO, March 26, 2025 — Kevin Tilden, President of California American Water, issued the following statement in response to the grades of C- for water and D+ for wastewater in the American Society of Civil Engineers' 2025 Report Card for America's Infrastructure.

"The ASCE 2025 Report Card reveals no change or improvement over the last four years – America's drinking water and wastewater infrastructure is stagnant," Tilden said. "The Report Card highlights the urgent need for significant investment in water and wastewater infrastructure, not just across the nation, but also here in California. Our state continues to face challenges when it comes to investing in critical infrastructure, particularly in these sectors."

In California, where climate change intensifies drought conditions and aging infrastructure poses increasing risks, capital investments in water utility systems are not merely advisable, but essential. These investments ensure the delivery of safe, reliable water to communities, safeguarding public health and supporting economic stability.

Furthermore, these investments increase the resilience of water systems to withstand natural disasters like earthquakes and wildfires, which are prevalent in California.

Investments in water treatment facilities are necessary to address emerging contaminants and ensure that the water provided to consumers meets the highest quality standards.

"Consistent and well-planned capital investments are vital to ensure the long-term health, safety, and economic wellbeing of California's communities," Tilden said.

Over the next ten years, California American Water plans to invest more than \$1.5 billion in its systems across the state to help ensure safe, clean, reliable, and affordable water and wastewater service.

About American Water

American Water (NYSE: AWK) is the largest regulated water and wastewater utility company in the United States. With a history dating back to 1886, We Keep Life Flowing® by providing safe, clean, reliable and affordable drinking water and wastewater services to more than 14 million people with regulated operations in 14 states and on 18 military installations. American Water's 6,700 talented professionals leverage their significant expertise and the company's national size and scale to achieve excellent outcomes for the benefit of customers, employees, investors and other stakeholders.

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