2-3 MILLION TIRES EXPORTED ANNUALLY
Border Water Infrastructure Program

Since 1997, the U.S.-Mexico Border Water Infrastructure Program, funded by Congress through EPA, has awarded grants to water and wastewater systems in the border region through the PDAP for project development and design and the BEIF for construction, programs administered by BECC and NADB, respectively. With significant oversight, documented accountability, and a process for selecting high priority projects, this is a model program for aligning with the U.S. Administration’s commitment for critical infrastructure investments.

- **All projects must have a US side benefit.** Investments in Mexico’s northern border for water infrastructure protect shared water bodies as well as the health and prosperity of residents in the U.S.
- **Catalyst for cooperation** between key federal agencies and has a critical role in influencing investments from the U.S. and Mexico.
- **Infrastructure investment promotes economic activity.** For every $1 million (M) invested in municipal water infrastructure, over a 10-year period, the private sector generates:
  - $11.1 M in new investments
  - 221 new jobs
  - $1.7 M in tax revenue
  - $52.2 M in goods production
- **As a funding of last resort,** it addresses insufficient revenues generated in rural and economically-distressed communities, unable to support debt funding.
- **Increase access for residents to critical water and wastewater services** through affordable financing and sustainable long-term operations.

**Results**

$41M of technical assistance and $656.9M of construction investments to support 118 water and wastewater investments estimated at $2B, benefiting a population of more than 9 million

**Outputs**

- Water Treatment Facilities: 17
- Water Distribution Systems: 19
- Wastewater Treatment Plants: 24
- Wastewater Collection Systems: 37

*Projects may include multiple components related to water and wastewater.

**Outcomes**

First-time connections for wastewater to nearly 585,000 households and water to more than 64,000 households.

Leverages more than $2 from federal, state and local sources to every $1 invested by the program.

Capacity to eliminate more than 450 MGD of untreated or inadequately treated sewage discharges along the border.

Drinking water that meets primary water quality standards **benefiting an estimated 260,000 residents.**