

## Summary of Final American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

<b>GENERAL PROVISIONS RELATED TO STATE REVOLVING LOAN FUND PROGRAMS</b>	
<b>Preference for Quick Start</b>	Sec. 1602. In using funds made available in this Act for infrastructure investment, recipients <b>shall give</b> preference to activities that can be started and completed expeditiously, including a goal of using at least 50 percent of the funds for activities that can be initiated not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act. Recipients <b>shall</b> also use grant funds in a manner that maximizes job creation and economic benefit.
<b>Prohibited Uses</b>	Sec. 1604. <b>None of the funds</b> appropriated or otherwise made available <b>in this Act may be used</b> by any State or local government, or any private entity, for any casino or other gambling establishment, aquarium, zoo, golf course, or swimming pool.
<b>Use of American Iron, Steel, and Manufactured Goods</b>	<p>Sec. 1605. Use of American Iron, Steel, and Manufactured Goods.</p> <p>(a) <b>None of the funds</b> appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act <b>may be used</b> for a project for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public building or public work unless all of the iron, steel, and manufactured goods used in the project are produced in the United States.</p> <p>(b) Subsection (a) shall not apply in any case or category of cases in which the head of the Federal department or agency involved finds that--</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) applying subsection (a) would be inconsistent with the public interest;</li> <li>(2) iron, steel, and the relevant manufactured goods are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities and of a satisfactory quality; or</li> <li>(3) Inclusion of iron, steel, and manufactured goods produced in the United States will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent.</li> </ol> <p>(c) If the head of a Federal department or agency determines that it is necessary to waive the application of subsection (a) based on a finding under subsection (b), the head of the department or agency shall publish in the Federal Register a detailed written justification as to why the provision is being waived.</p> <p>(d) This section shall be applied in a manner consistent with United States obligations under international agreements.</p>

<b>Wage Rate Requirement</b>	Sec. 1606. Notwithstanding any other provision of law and in a manner consistent with other provisions in this Act, <b>all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and subcontractors on projects</b> funded directly by or assisted in whole or in part by and through the Federal Government pursuant to this Act <b>shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing</b> on projects of a character similar in the locality as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40, United States Code. With respect to the labor standards specified in this section, the Secretary of Labor shall have the authority and functions set forth in Reorganization Plan Numbered 14 of 1950 (64 Stat. 1267; 5 U.S.C. App.) and section 3145 of title 40, United States Code.
<b>Priority for Funding to Projects Ready to Proceed</b>	That notwithstanding the priority rankings they would otherwise receive under each program, <b>priority for funds</b> appropriated herein <b>shall be given to projects on a State priority list that are ready to proceed to construction within 12 months</b> of the date of enactment of this Act
<b>Reserve for Additional Subsidization</b>	That notwithstanding the requirements of section 603(d) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act or section 1452(f) of the Safe Drinking Water Act, for the funds appropriated herein, <b>each State shall use not less than 50 percent</b> of the amount of its capitalization grants to provide additional subsidization to eligible recipients in the form of forgiveness of principal, negative interest loans or grants or any combination of these
<b>Reserve for Green, Efficient, Innovative Projects</b>	That, to the extent there are sufficient eligible project applications, <b>not less than 20 percent of the funds</b> appropriated herein for the Revolving Funds <b>shall be for projects</b> to address green infrastructure, water or energy efficiency improvements or other environmentally innovative activities
<b>Restriction on Land Purchase and DWSRF 1452k set-aside</b>	That <b>none of the funds</b> appropriated herein <b>shall be available for the purchase of land or easements</b> as authorized by section 603(c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act <b>or for activities authorized by section 1452(k)</b> of the Safe Drinking Water Act
<b>Restriction on Refinancing</b>	That notwithstanding section 603(d)(2) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act and section 1452(f)(2) of the Safe Drinking Water Act, <b>funds may be used to buy, refinance or restructure the debt obligations</b> of eligible recipients <b>only where such debt was incurred on or after October 1, 2008</b>