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Woonasquatucket et al. v. Department of Agriculture

On March 13, 2025, Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council, National Council of Nonprofits, Eastern Rhode Island Conservation District and Green Infrastructure Center filed a [lawsuit](#) challenging the Administration's freeze on funding from the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) and the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), known also as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

Diane Yentel [denounced the funding freeze](#),

The Trump Administration is again unlawfully withholding funding for nonprofit organizations to do essential work in communities throughout the country. These congressionally appropriated funds could reduce lead in school and daycare water fountains, weatherize the homes of low-income Americans to lower their utility bills, maintain green spaces in disadvantaged areas, and reduce the risk of wildfires through land management. Freezing these funds will harm many and benefit no one. NCN will continue standing up for the vital work of nonprofit organizations, and for the people and communities they serve.

The judge issued a nationwide [preliminary injunction](#) on April 15 preventing the Administration from freezing, halting, or broadly pausing payments for funding awarded under the Inflation Reduction Act or the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act

Official Statements & Press Releases

- [Suit Filed to Restore Critical Infrastructure and Investment Funds](#), press release, National Council of Nonprofits, Mar. 13, 2025.
- [National Council of Nonprofits Statement on Pause to Federal Grants and Contracting](#), official statement, National Council of Nonprofits, Jan. 28, 2025.

Webinar on Ongoing Litigation

National Webinar: *The Legal Landscape and Path Ahead for Nonprofits and Philanthropy* (1:02:23) [recording](#) and [slides](#), National Council of Nonprofits, Mar. 17, 2025.

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