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## **L.A. Fires Expose Long-Standing Local and National Water Infrastructure Challenges: Brookings Podcast**

- While the visible destruction to homes, businesses, and livelihoods has understandably garnered most of the attention, the Los Angeles fires are also a reminder of the struggles to recognize and reinvest in the country's water infrastructure.
- Nationally, more than \$744 billion is needed to address all the drinking water and wastewater improvements needed over the next two decades, from fixing leaking pipes to upgrading treatment plants.
- Climate resilience districts can bring together local governments and other service providers into one unit at a greater scale to fight a range of climate hazards.

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### **The Brookings Institution**

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