## **IMAGINE A DAY WITHOUT WATER**

Most Americans take water for granted. They turn on the tap, and clean water flows out. They flush the toilet, and dirty water goes away. Most Americans hardly think twice about the infrastructure that brings water to their homes, and safely returns water to our environment – but they should. The reality is, our water infrastructure is aging and failing. While most Americans cannot imagine a day

After working around the clock for 100 years or more, water infrastrcuture is aging and failing.

Imagine a Day Without Water October 10, 2018 | #ValueWater without water, there are many communities that have lived, and are living, without water because they don't have access to safe and reliable water systems.

## A Day Without Water = Crisis

A day without water is a public health and safety crisis. It means no water to shower or flush the toilet, and no water to drink or cook with, no water to do laundry or dishes. A

single nationwide day without water service would put \$43.5 billion in economic activity at risk and would make it impossible for doctors,



firefighters, and farmers to serve our communities. Our water infrastructure supports every facet of our daily lives, but our water infrastructure is facing incredible challenges. Demographic and climate pressures, such as increased natural disasters, drought, flooding, and wildfire, threaten our infrastructure and increase the possibility of a day without water.

## **Conservation = Opportunity for savings**

The Apache Junction Water District uses rates based on a tiered rate structure. The more water used the more it costs per thousand gallons. By conserving water, we are not only reducing our water bills, we are also reducing local energy demands. Every gallon of water delivered to our customers requires electrical energy to purify and



pressurize the water system so that a clean reliable supply of water is available 24 hours per day, every day of the year. Most of the electrical energy we

use is hydroelectric power; which requires water to produce energy. So, by conserving water we conserve energy, and by conserving energy we conserve water. We save money by water and energy conservation.

## Strong Leadership on Water = Secure Future

Investing in our water is investing in a future where no American will have to imagine a day without water.

88% of voters support increasing federal investment to rebuild our water infrastructure.

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