

Dear Members of Congress,

As sailors, swimmers, rowers, surfers, and other water athletes, our love of the water is a unique and shared aspect of our lives. Since our sports bring us in direct contact with the water, we hold dear the Clean Water Act's promise - made nearly fifty years ago - to make all our waterways safe for swimming. To help make good on that promise, we urge you to make the bold investments it will take to fix our nation's water infrastructure.

Each year, billions of gallons of sewage and runoff pollution flow into our waterways. As athletes who rely on the water as our playing field, some of us have felt impacts of this pollution firsthand - from canceled events to teammates getting sick. And the impacts extend far beyond us. Pathogens close beaches. Millions of Americans suffer nausea, skin rashes, and other illnesses from contact with polluted water every year. Toxic algae imperil drinking water and wildlife alike.

To stop this pollution, we must fix our water infrastructure. This means not only upgrading treatment plants and replacing leaky pipes but also stopping runoff pollution before it overloads sewage systems and sweeps contaminants into our rivers, lakes, and bays. Permeable pavement, rain gardens, green roofs, and other techniques help solve this problem by restoring nature's ability to absorb stormwater.

Upgrading our water infrastructure for the 21st century will cost money. EPA estimates that our wastewater systems will need \$271 billion over 20 years, yet current federal spending on water infrastructure stands at a fraction of this amount.

That is why we're calling on you to make a historic investment in our nation's water infrastructure - including \$10 billion per year for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund, with 20 percent of those funds dedicated to nature-based solutions that prevent runoff pollution. For the sake of clean water - and those of us who rely on it every day - we urge you to take action now, so that all our waterways will be safe for swimming.

Sincerely,

Zachary Shattuck	Paralympic Swimming	US Olympic Swimming*	Maryland
Joseph Peppersack	Paralympic Swimming	US Olympic Swimming*	Virginia
Emilie Grand'Pierre	Swimming	Haiti Olympic Swimming (Bowdoin*)	Georgia
Devin Hart	Sailing	Tufts University*	Connecticut
Cassie Maroney	Swimming	Bowdoin College*	Connecticut
Cali Salinas	Sailing	Tufts University*	California
Caroline Kelly	Sailing	Tufts University*	Maryland
Niall Sheridan	Sailing	Tufts University*	Connecticut
Patrick Mulcahy	Sailing	Tufts University*	California
Connor Rosow	Sailing	Tufts University*	Connecticut
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Wells Drayton	Sailing	Tufts University*	California
George Sidamon-Eristoff	Sailing, Surfing, Swimming	Tufts University*	New Jersey
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Katelin Ulmer	Swimming	Tufts University*	New York
Emma van Duijnhoven	Swimming	Tufts University*	Maryland
Zachary Lawrence	Diving	Tufts University*	Massachusetts
George Lakis	Rowing	Tufts University*	Massachusetts
Nate Iglehart	Rowing	Tufts University*	Connecticut
Alexi Melki	Rowing	Tufts University*	Massachusetts
Peter Battle	Rowing	Tufts University*	Massachusetts
Teddy Schneider	Rowing	Tufts University*	Pennsylvania
Kathleen Kemp	Swimming	Bowdoin College	New Jersey
Brooke Kraftson	Women's rowing	Tufts University*	Pennsylvania
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Elizabeth Johnson	rowing	Tufts University*	Kentucky
Tara Curran	Rowing	Tufts University*	Massachusetts
Paula Hornbostel	Rowing	Tufts University*	New York
Preston Anderson	Sailing	Bowdoin*	Illinois
Peter Barron	Sailing	College of Charleston*	New York
Jessica Lieban	Water Polo		California
Gabriela Fonseca	Surf		Puerto Rico
Jenna-Mae Daniels	Swimmer		California
Valeria Ponce	Swim	University of California, Riverside*	California
Caroline de Ocampo	Swimming		Oregon
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JJ Smith	Sailing	Cornell*	Florida
Jack Merrill	Sailing	Cornell*	Vermont
Zachary Lawrence	Diving	Tufts University*	Massachusetts
Elizabeth Crocker	Sailing	Dartmouth College*	New York
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James Paul	Sailing	Dartmouth*	Connecticut
Matthew Jones Bernard	Mens Rowing	University of Wisconsin-Madison*	Wisconsin
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Paulina Correa	Water Polo	Pitzer College*	Illinois
Evan Robison	Sailing	Tufts University*	Connecticut
Zach Papsco	Swimming	Bentley University*	New York
Ellis Sartorio	Swimming	Bentley University*	New Jersey
Peter Epp	Swimming	Bentley University*	New York
Shane Conroy	Swimming	Bentley University*	Connecticut
Mary Huminski	Diving		Connecticut
Lauren Miller	Sailing	Fordham University*	Connecticut
Declan O'Donnell	Sailing	Fordham University*	Connecticut
Paige Hoffman	Sailing	Fordham University*	Massachusetts
Caroline Sandoval	Sailing	Fordham University*/ Chicago Yacht Club	Illinois
Sam Johnsen	Sailing	Fordham University*	New York
Tyler Coffing	Swimming	Miami University	Delaware
Sebastian Cai	Swimming	Tufts University*	California
Elle Morse	Swimming	Tufts University*	New Jersey
Sam Nasson	Swimming		Mass
Amy Socha	Swimming	Tufts University*	Indiana
Emily Payne	Swimming	Tufts University*	Virginia
Katie Shelburne	Swimming	Tufts University*	Texas
Avery Canavan	Sailing	George Washington University*	Rhode Island
Michael Petrides	Swimming	UC Berkeley*	Hawaii
Jack Bitney	Surfing, Sailing, Swimming	Tufts University*	Minnesota
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Julia Geskey	Swimming	University of Mary Washington*	Virginia
Austin Farrar	Swimming	University of Mary Washington*	Virginia
Sarah Burnley	Swimming	VCU*	Virginia
Mallory Hood	Sailing	Tufts University*	Washington
Jennifer Vallo	Swimming	Miami University*	Wisconsin
Morgan Marshall	Swimming	Frostburg State University*	Pennsylvania
Ellen Lagerman	Swimming	Arizona State University*	Arizona
Madeleine Levac	Swimming, surfing	UC Berkeley*	California
Katie Costa	Swimming	Boston College*	Pennsylvania

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Emma Rogers	Swimming/Kayaking/ Paddle Boarding	Eckerd College*	New Jersey
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Manya Thapliyal	Swimming	Rutgers University*	New Jersey
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Lucas Santos	Crew/Rowing	UC Riverside*	California
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Sarah Dunwoody	Swimming	UC Santa Cruz*	California
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