

Kenneth for Congress: Water Conservation & Resilience Policy

A Future-Ready Water Strategy for North Texas

North Texas is growing fast, and our water infrastructure is under pressure from drought cycles, aging systems, and rising demand. Families, farmers, and small businesses all feel the impact when water becomes scarce or expensive. As your next representative, I will champion a practical, Texas-built approach to protect our water supply, strengthen our infrastructure, and keep costs stable for our communities.

My plan focuses on conservation, modernization, and long-term resilience — not mandates, but smart investments that save money and secure our future.

1. Modernize Aging Water Infrastructure

- Upgrade outdated pipes, pumps, and treatment systems to reduce leaks and water loss
- Expand federal grants for cities like Fort Worth, Crowley, and Burleson to repair and modernize local systems
- Support advanced monitoring technology so utilities can detect leaks early and prevent costly failures
- Prioritize infrastructure funding for fast-growing communities across TX-12

Why it matters: Texas loses billions of gallons of treated water every year due to aging infrastructure. Fixing this saves taxpayers money and strengthens reliability.

2. Expand Water Recycling & Reuse

- Promote safe, modern water-reuse systems for industry, agriculture, and municipal use
- Incentivize businesses to adopt recycling technologies that reduce strain on drinking-water supplies
- Support regional partnerships to scale up reuse projects across North Texas

Why it matters: Water reuse is one of the most cost-effective ways to stretch our supply without raising rates.

3. Strengthen Drought Preparedness

- Increase federal support for drought-resilient planning in high-growth regions
- Expand funding for local drought-resistant landscaping programs
- Support voluntary conservation incentives for homeowners and businesses

- Improve coordination between federal, state, and local agencies during drought emergencies

Why it matters: Droughts are becoming more frequent and severe. Preparedness protects families, farmers, and small businesses.

4. Protect Rural Water Access

- Ensure rural communities in TX-12 receive fair access to federal water grants
- Support well-water safety programs and testing assistance
- Expand funding for rural water infrastructure modernization

Why it matters: Rural communities often face the highest costs and the least support. They deserve reliable, safe water just as much as urban centers.

5. Promote Smart Growth & Conservation

- Encourage new developments to use efficient irrigation and water-saving technologies
- Support voluntary rebate programs for water-efficient appliances and landscaping
- Expand federal support for agricultural water-efficiency programs

Why it matters: Conservation doesn't have to be burdensome. Smart planning reduces waste and lowers bills.

6. Protect Texas Rivers, Lakes & Aquifers

- Strengthen protections for major water sources like the Trinity River Basin
- Support responsible groundwater management to prevent over-pumping
- Expand federal support for watershed restoration and flood-mitigation projects

Why it matters: Healthy water sources mean healthier communities, stronger agriculture, and long-term stability.

My Commitment

Water is life. It's essential for our families, our economy, and our future. As your representative, I will fight for a water strategy that is practical, affordable, and built for the long haul — a strategy that protects North Texas for generations to come.