

# JERSEY WATER WORKS

Smart infrastructure. Strong communities.

## Photo of the Month



**Photo:** Kishia L. Powell, commissioner of the City of Atlanta Department of Watershed Management, delivers the keynote address at the third annual Jersey Water Works conference.

Check out [photos and program materials from the event](#).

### News coverage:

**Water advocates seek public backing for major infrastructure upgrade** (*NJ Spotlight*)

**Opinion: Four ways Murphy can build a green economy: Think water** (*Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation's Chris Daggett and Margaret Waldock in the Star-Ledger*)

**NJ's 'alarming' water infrastructure called out in new report** (*Jersey Water Works co-chair Mark Mauriello in NJ 101.5*)

**Middlesex Water Company Selected a Winner of the Inaugural New Jersey One Water Awards** (*GlobeNewswire*)

**Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association receives award** (*Star-Ledger*)

## The Cost of Inaction

Often overlooked, our water infrastructure isn't noticed until something goes wrong. This section highlights the everyday consequences of not investing in New Jersey's water systems.

### [Trenton drinking water turned purple by chemical that can cause person to collapse](#)

*(Trentonian)*

### [West Milford officials push to finalize sale of public water and sewer utility](#)

*(NorthJersey.com)*

### [Problem resolved that gave Montclair 'smelly' water](#) *(NorthJersey.com)*

### [A plan to end sewer overflows in Camden](#) *(NJ Pen)*

### [Freehold officials to address aging water infrastructure](#) *(CentralJersey.com)*

## Camden Reports

Partners of the Camden Collaborative Initiative, including Cooper's Ferry Partnership, have created a unique website -- [Camden Reports](#) -- that gives Camden residents the opportunity to help eliminate flooding and illegal dumping in the city by [reporting incidents in real time](#).



## Member Highlights

The **US Water Alliance** has released the [results from the One Water for America Listening Session](#), which are organized into "7 Big Ideas" for the sustainable management of water. The session was based on the question: how do we create a new era of water management in America -- one that secures economic, environmental, and community well-being?

**Newark DIG** and **CivicStory** have published a [four-minute video](#) on the current state and importance of water infrastructure in Newark. The video features **City of Newark** officials, including Mayor Ras J. Baraka, Nathaly Agosto Filión, and Andrea Hall Adebawale, as well as representatives from **Clean Water Action** and D.M. De Nose.



Thirty-six organizations have released a [Year One Clean Water Agenda for the Murphy Administration](#), a set of seven recommended actions to assist Governor-elect Murphy's administration with water infrastructure challenges and solutions in 2018.

**Sustainable Jersey** was honored with the [2017 Governor's Environmental Excellence Award](#) for its work providing input to local governments, schools, and districts on how to make their communities better environmental stewards by improving sustainability and resiliency.

The **City of Jersey City's Office of Innovation** has published [Year 2 in Review](#), an online flipbook reporting the City's 2017 efforts to reduce flooding and limit pollution of waterways.

The **Landis Sewerage Authority** in Vineland was one of two public category nominations honored by the **2017 New Jersey One Water Awards** in the public category. The Authority was chosen for its **facility-wide programs and operating practices**, which foster sustainability, collaboration with the local community, and public education opportunities.



The lot next to the **Camden County Municipal Utilities Authority** (CCMUA) wastewater treatment plant has been converted from a derelict industrial site into a new waterfront park. The final portion of **Phoenix Park in Camden** officially opened on Dec. 12, offering the public access to the water for the first time in decades. **Andrew Kricun**, CCMUA's executive director and Jersey Water Works Steering Committee member, was **graciously acknowledged at the ribbon-cutting** for his work in seeing Phoenix Park fully realized.



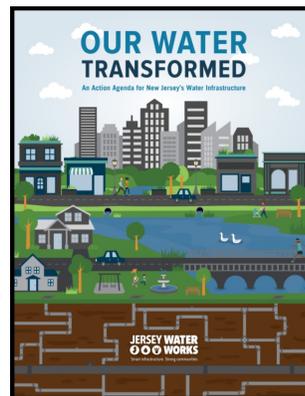
## Jersey Water Works Updates

### New Report Launches Collaborative into Second Phase of Work

Share this report with your network and [see more ways you can advance the solutions.](#)

***Our Water Transformed: An Action Agenda for New Jersey's Water Infrastructure*** is based on a strategic planning process undertaken by the collaborative's Steering Committee. The committee identified three priority solutions for transforming New Jersey's inadequate water infrastructure:

1. **Robust asset management**
2. **Educated stakeholders**
3. **Innovative funding initiatives**



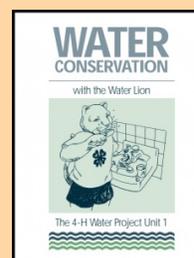
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Interested in joining a committee to implement these solutions in 2018? Contact Brian Caycho at [bcaycho@njfuture.org](mailto:bcaycho@njfuture.org) or (609) 393-0008 x106.

### New Resources

**Educational resources on water infrastructure for inside and outside of school.** This collection of videos, worksheets, games, and more was developed by the Jersey Water Works Community Engagement Committee.



**Social media toolkit on water infrastructure.** This compilation of memes, posts, and tweets was developed by the Jersey Water Works Community Engagement Committee. It can be used to raise awareness about water pollution, flooding, and runoff, as well as the need for water infrastructure investment.



**CSO Solutions: Impact of Proper Maintenance of Combined-Sewer Overflow System on Flooding in the City of Camden.** Developed by the Jersey Water Works Best Practices Committee, this fact sheet presents findings from a case study commissioned by the Camden County Municipal Utilities Authority.

**A Resource Guide to Planning, Designing and Implementing Green Infrastructure in Parks.** The National Recreation and Park Association, in cooperation with the American Planning Association and the Low Impact Development Center, has produced a suite of downloadable resources including a resource guide, three briefing papers, and four case studies.

## Job Opportunities

**Water Quality Manager** (New York-New Jersey Harbor & Estuary Program at the Hudson River Foundation)

NY/NJ HEP is looking for a talented professional to work on a variety of water quality issues. Requirements: A master's degree or doctorate in the fields of environmental science, natural resources, environmental engineering, or related field; a strong background in estuarine or coastal science and urban ecosystems; and at least five years of professional experience.

**Senior Planner/ Engineer** (American Water)

American Water is seeking a team lead to provide technical expertise and project management supervision. This position is responsible for evaluating water and wastewater systems and recommending system upgrades.

**Agricultural Outreach Specialist** (North Jersey Resource Conservation & Development Program)

The North Jersey RC&D seeks a positive, detail-oriented, and collaborative candidate to join its team. The agricultural outreach specialist will work closely with the associate director and agricultural specialist in promoting conservation and implementing agricultural best management practices in the region.

## Requests for Proposals

The Association of Environmental Authorities is accepting nominations for the **2018 Wave Awards**, which recognize excellence in the public water, wastewater, recycling, and solid waste sectors in New Jersey. **Due:** Feb. 9, 2018.

## Upcoming Events

**Jan. 16: Webinar: Asking the Right Questions in Stormwater Review**

**Jan. 18: Webinar: National Stormwater Calculator for Managing Runoff Using Green Infrastructure: Addition of a Cost Module and a Mobile Web App**

**Jan. 23: Webinar: Utility of the Future: Achieving and Maintaining Economic Health for the Community**

## **Water Infrastructure in the News**

### **New Jersey:**

**Opinion: Modern water system is crucial for N.J.'s economic growth** (*International Union of Operating Engineers Local 825 Business Manager Greg Lavee in ROI-NJ*)

**Opinion: A year one clean-water agenda for New Jersey** (*New Jersey Future Managing Director of Policy and Water Chris Sturm in NJ Spotlight*)

**Flooding concerns about proposed Teterboro expansion** (*NorthJersey.com*)

**Clean water is a priority of Governor-elect Murphy** (*Jersey Shore Online*)

**In the shadow of a wastewater treatment plant, a park opens** (*Courier-Post*)

### **Nationwide:**

**As Baltimore Council weighs tackling high water bills, study shows how much customers are squeezed** (*Baltimore Sun*)

**U.S. households are using less water. What does that mean for metros and infrastructure?** (*Brookings Institution*)

**Washington, D.C.: Audio: Longtime head of DC Water addresses billing concerns, environmental initiatives and his eight-year tenure** (*WAMU*)

## **Stay Up to Date**

Subscribe to the following member newsletters for updates and resources:

**Lower Raritan Watershed Partnership newsletter**

**Rutgers Cooperative Extension Water Resources Program email list**

**U.S. EPA Green Streams mailing list**

**New Jersey DEP Combined Sewer Overflow email list**

**Green Streets, Green Jobs, Green Towns (G3) Initiative digest**

**I Hate CSOs Facebook Group**

**WaterWire - The Waterfront Alliance newsletter**

**NY/NJ Baykeeper newsletter**

**The Tidal Exchange E-news - New York-New Jersey Harbor Estuary Program**

**Sustainable Jersey Newsletter**

Do you send out a newsletter that you'd like to be included here? Email **Brian Caycho** with the information!



**Jersey Water Works** is a collaborative effort working to transform New Jersey's inadequate water infrastructure through sustainable, cost-effective solutions that provide communities with clean water and waterways; healthier, safer neighborhoods; local jobs; flood and climate resilience; and economic growth.

Jersey Water Works welcomes individuals and organizations committed to working towards transforming New Jersey's inadequate water infrastructure through sustainable, cost-effective solutions that provide communities multiple benefits.

**Become a Member Today!**

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