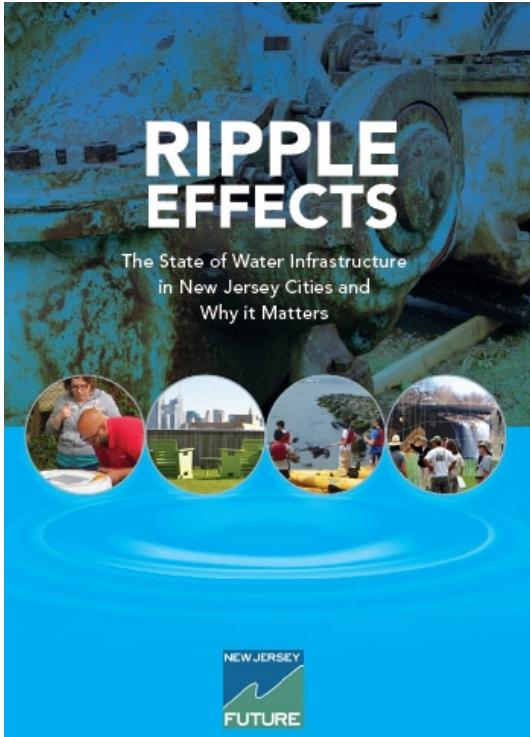


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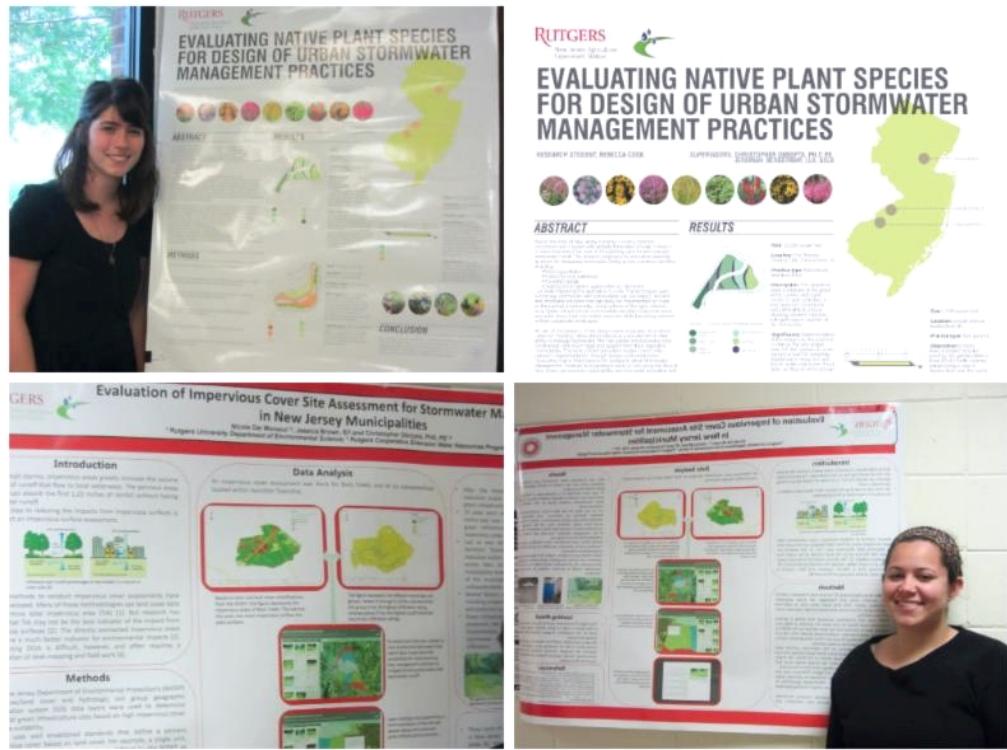
[Developing an Agenda for Change in New Jersey's Urban Water Infrastructure]



The Rutgers Cooperative Extension (RCE) Water Resources Program was invited to participate in the [Johnson Foundation at Wingspread](#), [New Jersey Future](#) and the [Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation](#) to develop and issue an action agenda for changing New Jersey's urban water infrastructure. Based on the research conducted by New Jersey Future and Rutgers University, participants worked together to identify priority action steps that are believed to have a real impact on revamping water infrastructure in New Jersey's 21 combined sewer system cities. To read more about the outcome of the conference, please [click here](#) and be sure to read the [Ripple Effects](#) featuring our work in Camden, NJ.

[Student Highlights]

The RCE Water Resources Program is proud to announce the accomplishments of our student interns, Rebecca Cook (top) and Nicole Del Monanco (bottom).



Every year, the [New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station](#) sponsors an open student poster competition to recognize significant research accomplishments of students in the School of Environmental and Biological Sciences. Awards to undergraduate and graduate students are given in the areas of basic or laboratory-based research and for applied or field-based research. **Rebecca Cook** won first place in the Undergraduate Applied/Field Research. Congratulations, Rebecca!

The [New Jersey Water Environment Association](#) (NJWEA) sponsored its 99th Annual Conference at Bally's in Atlantic City, NJ where an exchange of information on various aspects of pollution prevention, water pollution control, water quality programs and treatment of hazardous and industrial wastes are discussed. As part of its special Student Day, the NJWEA sponsored a poster competition for graduate and undergraduate students. **Nicole Del Monanco** won second place in the NJWEA student poster competition. Congratulations, Nicole!

[Hamilton West Rain Garden]

In June 2011, the RCE Water Resources Program partnered with [Hamilton Township](#) (Mercer County) to evaluate watershed and stormwater management issues and to develop [recommendations for improving and protecting water resources](#) in the community. As part of our continuous work with Hamilton Township, we have implemented a demonstration rain garden adjacent to the gymnasium to manage stormwater runoff from the rooftop before it discharges to the storm drain system. A rain garden is a landscaped, shallow depression that is designed to intercept, treat, and infiltrate stormwater at the source before it becomes runoff. This is Hamilton High School West rain garden story!



Hamilton High School West Rain Garden Installation

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