



Green Infrastructure Efforts Continue in Camden City!



The Rutgers Cooperative Extension (RCE) Water Resources Program has continued to work with partners in Camden throughout 2016. We are very excited to enter into our seventh year collaborating with the Camden County Municipal Utility Authority (CCMUA) and Camden SMART!

In 2016, the RCE Water Resources Program and Camden SMART partners focused on maintaining the many green infrastructure projects implemented throughout the city. These projects included bioretention systems (rain gardens), stormwater planters, rainwater harvesting systems (cisterns), and tree plantings. We worked closely with the New Jersey Tree Foundation and the PowerCorps program to develop and deliver a maintenance program funded by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. This effort allowed Camden SMART to conduct maintenance work on over 25 green infrastructure

sites throughout the city.

Not only are efforts focused on maintaining green infrastructure projects, but Camden SMART continues to pursue projects with the CCMUA with funding through the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust. Projects included porous asphalt parking and planting of a bioretention island at CCMUA, a porous asphalt basketball court at Elijah Perry Park, and a bioretention traffic island along South Broadway. The Camden SMART partnership continues to strengthen and expand its efforts to promote green infrastructure as a first line of defense in managing flooding and combined sewer overflows in Camden.

Green Infrastructure in Manville Coming Soon!

The RCE Water Resources Program recently met with the Manville Mayor, Business Administrator, and the Library Branch Manager to discuss the implement of a rain garden at the Manville Library. With approvals, the RCE Water Resources Program will be moving forward with an educational rain garden session at the library for community members to learn about the benefits of rain gardens. We are also working to start a Rain Garden Rebate Program for Manville residents this spring or summer, and Manville is looking to conduct a rain barrel workshop in 2017! Way to go Manville!



Upcoming Events and Conferences

**Complying with New Jersey Stormwater Regulations
Workshop on January 26th and February 16th!**



The RCE Water Resources Program will be hosting *Complying with New Jersey Stormwater Regulations* on January 26th and February 16th with a registration fee of \$15 per person. These two-hour workshops are sponsored by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the William Penn Foundation. The program will highlight steps to guide you and your municipality to ensure that new development is in compliance with the New Jersey stormwater management regulations. We will also focus on the importance and benefits of inventorying your municipality's stormwater infrastructure while complying with the state's municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) permits.

The Raritan Headwaters will be hosting the workshop on **Thursday, January 26th** from **3:00-5:00 pm**. [Click here](#) to register for this workshop hosted at the [Fairview Farm Wildlife Preservation - Brick Cottage Boardroom](#), 2121 Larger Cross Road, Bedminster, New Jersey. Please also note this is the first in the Raritan Headwaters Seminar Series: Watershed Tools for Local Decision-makers. To learn more about the seminar series, contact Kristi MacDonald at (908) 234-1852, ext. 322 or email kmacdonald@raritanheadwaters.org.

The Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions (ANJEC) will be hosting the workshop on **Thursday, February 16th** from **6:30 - 8:30 pm**. [Click here](#) to register for this workshop hosted at the Pilesgrove Municipal Building - Meeting Room, 1180 US-Route 4, Pilesgrove, New Jersey.

Questions or concerns, please contact Rosana Da Silva at rdasilva@envsci.rutgers.edu or call 848-932-6714.

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