Greening New Jersey's Water Infrastructure

New Jersey Clean Water Council Annual Public Hearing

Friday, December 13, 2013, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

NJ Department of Environmental Protection - Public Hearing Room (1st Floor) 401 East State Street, Trenton, New Jersey

Clean water—drinkable, swimmable and fishable—has been the goal of planning and regulatory efforts for over fifty years. While managing water resources to achieve this goal continues to be the primary focus for New Jersey's leaders, evidence indicates a lack of familiarity with successful green technologies and the dearth of available funding may be hindering efforts.

SPEAKERS

- Commissioner Bob Martin, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection: Update on NJDEP Progress Since Superstorm Sandy and Moving Forward Toward a More Resilient NJ
- Khris Dodson, Associate Director, Syracuse University, Environmental Finance Center: Green Infrastructure Successes in Syracuse ... a Paradigm for NJ
- ➤ Jeremiah Bergstrom, LLA, Rutgers Cooperative Extension Water Resources Program and Mark Anderson, LLA, NJ Chapter of American Society of Landscape Architects: Green Infrastructure for All – Leveraging the Landscape for Water Management

REQUEST FOR TESTIMONY

The New Jersey Clean Water Council seeks public testimony on successful and unsuccessful public and private efforts to design, permit, finance, construct and maintain cutting edge "green technology" and "green infrastructure" projects, using both engineered and natural technologies for water supply, wastewater and stormwater management. Specifically, the Council seeks input and reaction to the following questions:

- What innovative and economically viable technologies should be employed to manage water resources, including stormwater?
- What can be done to link traditional gray infrastructure and "green" technology or infrastructure to manage and protect water resources?
- What can be done to hasten testing & deployment of developing technologies that show promise?
- What regulations and programs must be revised in order to eliminate obstacles or barriers?
- How can the use of these technologies be encouraged to municipalities and the public?
- How can the NJ Environmental Infrastructure Financing Program be more supportive of innovative technology projects?
- What other funding sources are available; how can funding from multiple sources be pooled?

HOW TO TESTIFY

The Council will provide 5 minutes per oral presentation and strongly encourages the submittal of detailed written comments to augment your testimony. Written comments will be accepted until December 31, 2013, and can be sent to the New Jersey Clean Water Council, c/o NJDEP - Division of Water Quality, 401 East State Street, P.O. Box 425, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0425, by email at geraldine.skrajewski@dep.state.nj.us, or by fax at (609) 341-4518. If submitting on flash drive, CD, or via email the preferred format is Microsoft Word® 2003 or above. Macintosh formats should not be used.

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