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Using Stormwater Utilities to Address Water Quality and Flooding

2019 Annual Public Hearing sponsored by The New Jersey Clean Water Council

Friday, October 25, 2019, 1:00 pm-4:00 pm

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection

Public Hearing Room

401 East State Street, Trenton, New Jersey 08625

PURPOSE OF THE HEARING

In March 2019, Governor Murphy signed into law the Clean Stormwater and Flood Reduction Act, which authorizes, but does not require, municipalities, counties, and certain authorities to establish stormwater utilities. Jurisdictions across the country have established stormwater utilities as a mechanism to improve the operation, maintenance, and reinvestment in stormwater infrastructure. As local governments in New Jersey begin to evaluate the legislation and the possibility of establishing a stormwater utility in their jurisdiction, the New Jersey Clean Water Council will hold a public hearing on how stormwater utilities may be used to improve water quality and address localized flooding in New Jersey.

The New Jersey Clean Water Council plans to seek public testimony on the practices and approaches of stormwater utilities and how they may be used to help address local flooding, stormwater management and water quality concerns. The New Jersey Clean Water Council is inviting speakers who have implemented stormwater utilities to speak about their experiences and the factors that New Jersey communities may want to consider in determining if a stormwater utility is right for their community.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Municipal and county officials, regional and municipal utilities authorities, environmental/watershed groups, agricultural community, consulting scientists and engineers.

A formal notice for the hearing with additional information will follow.