



2019 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Within committees, Jersey Water Works members worked across sectors to adopt a 2019 Work Plan that would advance the collaborative's shared goals and improve social equity.

Green Infrastructure Committee

- **Worked with NJDOT and other partners to develop a new Complete and Green Streets policy** that includes language for health, equity, and green infrastructure.
- **Conducted nine Green Infrastructure Champions workshops** in partnership with Rutgers Water Resources program and established an advisory committee.
- **Conducted a national survey of stormwater utility incentive programs** for green infrastructure.

Asset Management and Finance Committee

- **Published a white paper on policy options** for improving water and wastewater affordability for low-income customers.
- **Conducted a study of capital investment** by drinking water utilities statewide.
- **Sent recommendations to NJDEP for Water Quality Accountability Act reporting**, in partnership with the American Water Works Association (AWWA).

Education and Outreach

- **Produced a menu of action options** for individuals and organizations to reinforce the efforts of Jersey Water Works.
- **Raised awareness of water workforce opportunities** on two tours of water treatment facilities.
- **Promoted Infrastructure Week and Imagine A Day Without Water** by hosting a workshop on an Applicants Guide for the New Jersey Water Bank, providing tours of wastewater treatment plants, and conducting a social media campaign.

Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Committee

- **Produced a summary of the evaluation alternatives analysis reports** that CSO permit holders submitted to NJDEP.
- **Created an assessment of access to water workforce jobs** for low-income communities and communities of color affected by CSOs.
- **Gave multiple presentations at industry events** on technical research conducted by the committee.

Lead in Drinking Water Task Force

- **Released a final report** with comprehensive recommendations to virtually eliminate lead in drinking water in New Jersey.
- **Hosted a press event and a webinar** to share solutions with stakeholders.

Steering Committee

- **Suggested equity-oriented project ideas** to JWW committees.
- **Identified processes and projects** that can help ensure JWW meets the needs of all New Jerseyans.

Jersey Water Works Members and Backbone Organization

- **Convened a data evaluation committee** to guide the development of the JWW data dashboard.
- **Coordinated a 25-member New Jersey delegation** to the One Water Summit.
- **Engaged 108 members at the annual summer meeting for a “why before what”** communications training, hands-on committee meetings, and learning sessions.
- **Testified at the Water Quality Accountability Act legislative hearings** on behalf of the JWW Asset Management and Finance Committee.
- **Participated in events around the state**, sharing information about the collaborative’s goals and efforts.
- **Developed a brochure on the economic benefits** of water infrastructure investment with industry partners.