

Joint Meeting of Essex & Union Counties (JMEUC)

Flood Mitigation Project Phase I - Construction of Effluent Pumping Station

Construction of upgrades and improvements to the Joint Meeting of Essex & Union Counties Wastewater Treatment Plant in Elizabeth, New Jersey for \$52,754,322.40 were financed by the New Jersey Water Bank (NJWB). The NJWB is a State Revolving Fund program jointly administered by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank (NJIB) and uses a combination of funds provided by the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the DEP, and the NJIB to provide very low interest loans to borrowers for environmental infrastructure projects.

This project will provide water quality benefits by reducing the potential for sewerage overflows resulting from extreme weather events via the construction of the Effluent Pumping Station. The pump station will allow treated effluent to be pumped to the Arthur Kill when tidal surges would otherwise prevent treated effluent from flowing by gravity to the Arthur Kill leading to sewerage back-ups for residents and businesses in the Joint Meeting service area including, but not limited to, the eleven member municipalities located in Essex and Union Counties and the City of Elizabeth.

State Revolving Fund programs around the nation provide states and communities the resources necessary to maintain and improve the infrastructure protecting our valuable water resources nationwide.