

▶ SUCCESS OF THE PILOT PROGRAM YEAR ONE AND ONTO YEAR TWO!

The Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission (PVSC) and the Rutgers Cooperative Extension (RCE) Water Resources Program is proud to announce the success of the Pilot Outreach & Technical Assistance Program's success in its first year.

The program provided four outreach sessions in Bergen, Passaic, Hudson, and Essex/Union Counties to identify municipalities to pursue a community-wide green infrastructure program. A successful training workshop was also provided for all community leaders in the PVSC service area to learn how to implement cost effective green infrastructure strategies to minimize flooding by intercepting stormwater runoff at the source, comply with regulatory statutes by reducing combined sewer overflows, protect water quality, and save communities money by managing inflow and infiltration.

From those sessions, seven municipalities were identified for Year One. A complete municipal-wide green infrastructure assessment was completed for Bayonne, Little Falls, Montclair, Newark, Paterson, Saddle Brook and West Orange. Through cost-sharing agreements between PVSC and the municipalities, Green Infrastructure Feasibility Plans have been provided to these municipalities to begin implementing green infrastructure projects throughout the community.

PVSC and the RCE Water Resources Program will be working together to install three demonstration projects in the spring of 2015 to serve as examples for the public to understand the benefits of green infrastructure. PVSC and the RCE Water Resources Program partners are pleased with the success of the program and look forward to Year Two!

▶ Green Infrastructure Municipal Outreach & Technical Assistance Program

▶ OBJECTIVES

Green infrastructure outreach & education to municipalities in PVSC's service area

Community-based technical assistance

Install demonstration green infrastructure projects



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