



News Release

Trump Administration Invests \$1,000,000 in Emergency Community Water Assistance Grant (ECWAG) in Rural New Jersey

Investment to Help over 3000 Residents in the Borough of National Park Improve Their Water Treatment Facility

Mount Laurel, NJ August 3, 2020 – The Trump Administration today announced that the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) is investing \$1,000,000 to construct a new treatment facility to remove water contaminants in rural New Jersey.

“This project will put people to work, improve the water quality, and add to our investments in the Borough water system just as it is needed most,” said State Director Thulen. “Under the leadership of President Trump and Agriculture Secretary Perdue, USDA has been working tirelessly to be a strong partner to rural New Jersey in building stronger and healthier communities, because we know when rural America thrives, all of America thrives.”

The Borough of National Park will use these grant dollars to construct a new treatment facility near the existing filter building which will allow the necessary underground piping, and related equipment to be installed. These improvements to the Borough’s water treatment facility will remove water contaminants and provide healthy drinking water to the residents of this small community.

ECWAG funds enable water systems that serve eligible rural communities prepare for, or recover from, emergencies that threaten their safe drinking water. Funding can improve the natural environment and encourage manufacturers and other businesses to locate or expand operations.

USDA Rural Development provides loans and grants to help expand economic opportunities and create jobs in rural areas. This assistance supports infrastructure improvements; business development; housing; community facilities such as schools, public safety and health care; and high-speed internet access in rural areas. For more information, visit www.rd.usda.gov.

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