Joint Meeting of Essex & union Counties (JMEUC)

Joint Meeting of Essex & Union Counties – Phase IV ACOE Storm Water Pumping Station NJIB Project No. S340686-13

Construction of upgrades and improvements to Joint Meeting of Essex & Union counties Wastewater Treatment Plant in Elizabeth, New Jersey for $7,953,890.00 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.

In 1977 the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers realigned the Elizabeth River and constructed a storm water pumping station on the Joint Meeting site. The system was designed to only handle the lower portion of the site. The system was designed to only handle the lower portion of the site during high tide in the river. The construction of the Main Wall will block run off from the site, therefore a 41.5-acre pond will be created without an upgrade to the pumping station.

The upgrade includes minor changes to the on-site collection system, larger pumps and direct connections to the Co-Gen power system.

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.