

Construction of the Phase 1 Wastewater Improvements for the Fortescue and Gandy's beach communities located along the Delaware Bay, within the Downe Township, New Jersey. Phase 1 includes the construction of a wastewater treatment plant (WTP) with a proposed surface water discharge to the Fortescue Creek and a new sewage collection system in the community of Fortescue. The project has been divided into 2 contracts, with a projected construction cost of \$20,810,924.00, which is being partially 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 (Infrastructure Bank) and uses a combination of funds provided by the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the DEP, and the Infrastructure Bank to provide very low interest loans to borrowers for environmental infrastructure projects.

This project will provide water quality benefits by connecting the homes in these communities to a collection system and centralized treatment facility that would eliminate the risks of indirect and direct discharge of un-treated wastewater into the surrounding wetlands and waters of the State, caused by the repeated failure of the existing individual septic systems.

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.