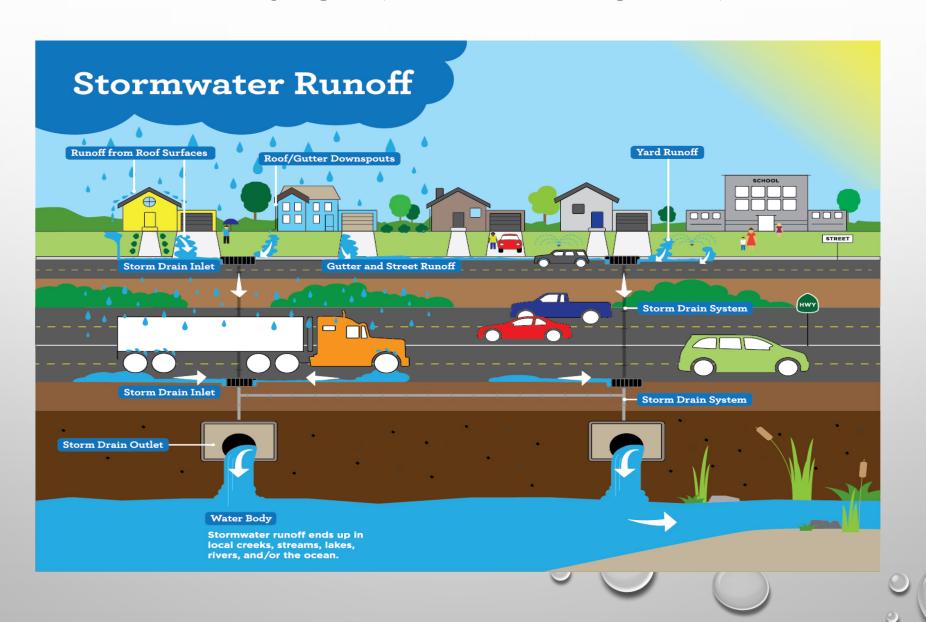
# STORMWATER UTILITIES

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#### THE STORMWATER PROBLEM



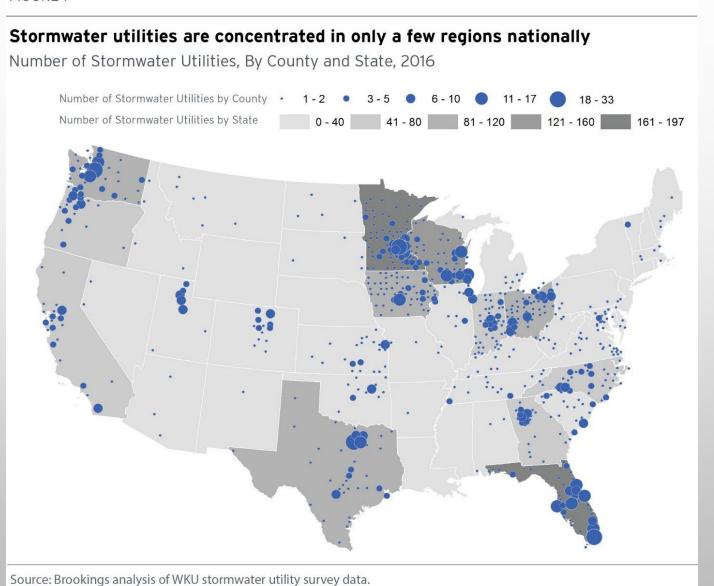


#### THE STORMWATER SOLUTION

- STORMWATER UTILITY
  - FUND FOR STORMWATER PROBLEM
  - INSTALLATION OF GREEN STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE
  - DEDICATED ENTITY
  - DEAL WITH FLOODING AND STORMWATER POLLUTION
- MORE THAN 1800 COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY HAVE A STORMWATER UTILITY, BUT WHERE EXACTLY?

## WHERE DO STORMWATER UTILITIES EXIST?







#### WHAT ABOUT NEW JERSEY?

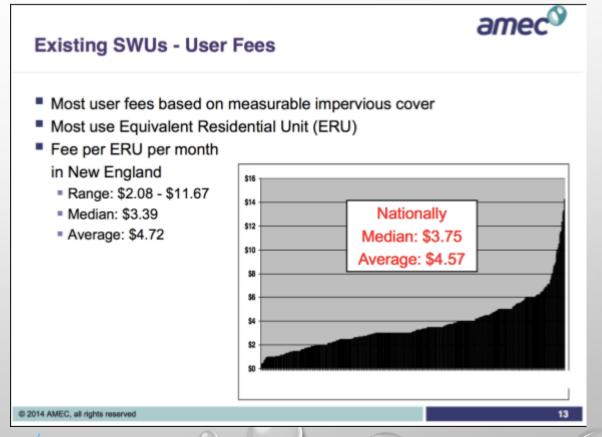
- FLOOD DEFENSE ACT A2694/S1073 SIGNED INTO LAW IN MARCH 2019
- THE BILL EMPOWERS NEW JERSEY COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES ON A PURELY
  VOLUNTARY BASIS TO CREATE MUCH-NEEDED, COMMUNITY-BASED STORMWATER
  PROGRAMS THAT REDUCE POLLUTION AND CONTROL LOCAL FLOODING
- FLOODING/STORMWATER/POLLUTION \$16 BILLION PROBLEM FOR NJ



- MUNICIPALITIES
- COUNTIES
- MUNICIPAL OR COUNTY WASTEWATER UTILITIES AND UTILITY AUTHORITIES



 FEES ARE TYPICALLY BASED ON THE AMOUNT OF IMPERVIOUS AREA ON A PROPERTY THAT DRAINS TOWARDS A STORMWATER PERMITTED AREA. PROPERTIES ARE OFTEN CLASSIFIED INTO TWO GROUPS: RESIDENTIAL VS.
 COMMERCIAL/INSTITUTIONAL/IN DUSTRIAL.



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# STEP-BY-STEP — HOW TO CREATE A STORMWATER UTILITY

#### 8 STEPS

- INITIAL CONCEPTUAL DISCUSSION
- STORMWATER UTILITY STUDY TEAM
- ENGAGE POWERS THAT BE MAYOR/COUNTY/UTILITY DIRECTOR
- CONDUCT FEASIBILITY STUDY
- ENGAGE STORMWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
- GET THE "GO/NO GO" DECISION
- IMPLEMENTATION PHASE
- GO LIVE



#### FIRST STEP

- CAN BE HARD
- NEED TO HAVE/ESTABLISH RELATIONSHIP
- INVOLVE ORGANIZATIONS TO HELP HAVE A CONVERSATION/ GIVE A PRESENTATION
- FIND LIKE MINDED PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY TO PROVIDE GROUNDSWELL SUPPORT OR
- FIND ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS WHO UNDERSTAND AND ARE INTERESTED



#### SECOND STEP

- CREATE THE STUDY TEAM KEY LOCAL STAFF
- IDENTIFY GOALS, NEEDS, AND IF IT IS POSSIBLE
- WILL DECIDE IF FORMAL PROPOSAL WILL BE DEVELOPED FOR SHARING WITH KEY ELECTED OFFICIALS



#### THIRD STEP

- IF PROPOSAL IS DEVELOPED, GIVE PRESENTATION TO MAYOR/COUNTY EXECUTIVE/UTILITY DIRECTOR
- ENGAGE A CONSULTANT (POSSIBLY) TO HELP WITH SHARING/DEVELOPING INFORMATION
- HAVE PROS AND CONS LAID OUT
- GOAL TO GET SUPPORT BY ELECTEDS



#### FOURTH STEP

Stormwater Utility Fee Map

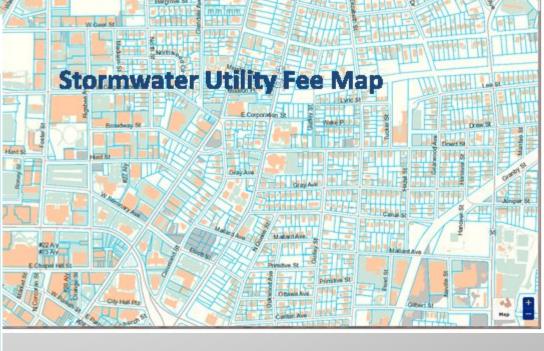
• FEASIBILITY STUDY



#### **INFRASTRUCTURE MAPPING**

- Survey grade GIS mapping of municipal infrastructure.
- Recommend getting additional data including inverts, material type, condition







#### FIFTH STEP

- STORMWATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
  - EDUCATE AND SOLICIT INPUT FROM PUBLIC
  - KEY ASPECTS OF STUDY
  - FORWARD RECOMMENDATIONS TO MAYOR/COUNTY EXECUTIVE/UTILITY DIRECTOR



## SIXTH TO EIGHTH STEP

- GO NO GO -
- IMPLEMENTATION
- GO LIVE



#### MHO CAN HELP YOU?

- WATERSHED ORGANIZATIONS/ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS
- FLOOD DEFENSE COALITION













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