

Water

December 8, 2021

2:00pm-3:00pm

Zoom



Notes

I. Welcome and Introductions

- 10 attendees; 9 Camden residents/businesses

II. Hot topics

- a. Adopt-A-Drain [Website](#) is live, currently recruiting, looking to reach as many residents as possible
 - Present at upcoming community meetings
 - Link back with PowerCorps to flier for program visibility

III. 2021 Water Working Group Work Plan

- a. Revisit [2021 Water Working Group Action Plan](#): progress, reorientation, edits to actions

IV. 2022 Vision: Goals, Strategies, and Objectives

V. 2022 Water Working Group Work Plan

- a. Issue Identification:
 - CCMUA trying to get funding for flooding interventions. Problem: need more information about flooding (where, frequency, etc.)
 1. Have anecdotal evidence but need data
 2. Need flow monitors
 - a. Issue: takes about a year to monitor
 - Issue: gardeners' access to water
 1. Idea: program to credit gardeners -> look to [Pittsburg](#)
 - Need RFP for engineering firm to do scientific study (with what money?)
 - Water reserve planning? Does Camden have Drinking Water Reserves? If there anything we are doing in that regard? American Water has not been thinking on this
 1. Planning for water reserves? open space planning could consider this
 2. Not sure that the Camden region will be at risk of losing water reserves, more of an issue to the west
- b. Resource Identification:
 - Drone operation potential
 - NJ Tree Foundation: can prioritize areas with flooding issues/ urban heat island effect centers for tree plantings
 1. Sites closest to circuit trails will be prioritized
 - Rain barrel kits are still available
 - Gov. Murphy [ordinance](#) for replacing lead pipes
 - Tool from Camden County: similar to Camden reports but more robust
- c. Goals:
 - Catching more water to reduce stress on combined sewer system

- Planning for water reserves
- Have more community facing events
- Address issue of spray parks going on
- Help DPW address capacity issues
- Figure out funding from ARP for lead pipe replacement
- Figure out how to make a platform like Camden reports feel productive to the user
 1. more app-like
 2. Conduct community meetings to showcase the various apps for residents to report flooding
 3. Need to have up-keep with Camden reports

VI. Additional Information/Resources

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Next Meeting: CCI Water Working Group Meeting, January 12th at 2 pm