



## WATER WORKING GROUP 2022 ACTION PLAN

GOAL				
To support and facilitate sustainable management of Camden's water resources and water infrastructure, including stormwater, drinking water, and access to surrounding waterways, and reinforce the sustainability ordinance.				
BENCHMARKS FOR SUCCESS				
85% capture of all rainfall; disconnecting 145 impervious acres from the CSO; increased community education on water concerns; increased community access to water (parks, recreation)				
EVALUATION PLAN				
Track # of gallons of stormwater diverted from combined sewer; Track # of participants for community meetings/focus groups; Track # of education materials distributed; Camden Reports/ other apps' flooding data; # of water access events (i.e. ipaddle)				
EDUCATION AREAS				
Camden Long-Term Control Plan; Camden Water Quality Status; ways to experience Camden's waterways; Climate Change and Flooding				
STRATEGIC ACTION/DESCRIPTION	RESOURCES REQUIRED	POTENTIAL CHALLENGES	DESIRED OUTCOME	PROGRESS
Flooding/CSO Mitigation: continue to expand the Adopt-A-Drain program, provide stipends	Funding	Funding, community buy-i	Reduced localized flooding, increased community awareness of flooding issue, increased stewardship	
Flooding/CSO Mitigation: Educate residents, business, and stakeholders on stormwater utility fee; track the Stormwater Utility Feasibility Study and provide input	Local moderator, communication with hired consultant	Communication	50+ residents educated on stormwater utility; City completes stormwater utility feasibility study and implements a stormwater utility ordinance.	
Flooding/CSO Mitigation: Conduct community meetings to educate residents on Camden's Long-term Control Plan & Camden's water quality	Local moderator	Scheduling	100+ residents participate in community meetings.	
Flooding/CSO Mitigation: Identify and prioritize flooding hotspots for tree plantings, rain gardens, programming, etc.	Camden Reports flooding data; Funding for study to identify flooding causes; flow monitors	Funding	Study that identifies primary flooding areas and their causes. Quantitative data.	

Drinking water: support city efforts to utilize American Rescue Plan funding for lead service line replacement	Need to understand where the lead pipes are, need to get ducks in a row with American Water and City of Camden Water	implementation logistics, red tape	Clean drinking water for Camden residents.	
Drinking Water: Continue to be a resource for lead education and lead risk reduction for Camden residents	Data and groundwork laid by Leading with Lead	communication and outreach	All residents receive education material on drinking water lead risk & tap water consumption.	
Community Access to Water: address gardener's access to water, continue rain barrel program	research credit programs (Pittsburgh), communicate with city hall, continue rain barrel distribution	implementation logistics, red tape	Clear line of communication with community gardeners, improved water access for food sovereignty, water consumption accurately tracked	
Community Access to Water: Encourage access to water via on-water programming	Marketing partnerships	Communication	CCI members host, participate and market on-water education and programming for residents.	
CCI: Increase resident engagement in working group, especially of long-time Camden activists	Meeting assistance (facilitation, note taking), relationships with "community ambassadors" who have influence over and the trust of their neighbors, get sponsors for evening meetings with food	Virtual limitations; getting the word out; scheduling	Increased resident participation in regular and special CCI meetings	