

AEA Stormwater Utilities Working Group

In 2017, AEA and other key associations were invited to participate in the development of the stormwater utility legislation that became the 2019 *Clean Stormwater and Flood Reduction Act (CSFRA)*. AEA accepted the invitation in order to protect members' interests. AEA wanted to ensure that no authority would be compelled to manage stormwater, and at the same time, AEA sought to preserve the authorities' options. If an authority judged taking on stormwater management was an advantage, it would be permitted to do so.

After the bill was signed into law, AEA convened a stormwater utility law working group to consider what the opportunities and benefits might be for authorities to participate. The working group also wanted to provide information for AEA-member authorities interested in establishing a stormwater utility. The working group included individuals who worked extensively on the bill, representatives of the AEA Board of Directors, several executive directors and managers, and engineers with stormwater management experience. COVID-19 interrupted the work of this group, the information they put together is available [here](#).