



Association of Environmental Authorities of New Jersey

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First Virtual Conference for AEA Features Robust Attendance and Informative Content



AEA's first virtual conference, focused on the theme "essential," was a success! Some 180 registrants participated. Twenty-one speakers, including three from the NJDEP, provided essential insights about water nonprofits, wastewater epidemiology, the value of networking, the financial impact of COVID on utilities, cyber security, and the new environmental justice law. Eighteen sponsors provided key financial support.

AEA President Justin Flancbaum noted that AEA is about to embark its 50th year and hailed the support and sharing that has been a hallmark of AEA since its inception. He also thanked the AEA Education and Conference Committee, chaired by Bill Gettings of Hazen, for its thoughtful preparation.

The AEA Strategic Planning Committee, Bernie Bujak (chair), Christine Ballard, Brian Brach and Brian Valentino, unveiled updated vision and mission statements and urged members to participate in the SP process. Executive Director Peggy Gallos welcomed the many registrants who had not attended an AEA conference.

AEA sponsors: Morehouse Engineering; Jacobs; Kleinfelder; MacManimom, Scotland & Bauman; Maser Consultants; T&M Associates; Hazen; The Law Office of George J. Tyler; Hawkins, Delafield & Wood LLP; W & Company; Phoenix Advisors, LLC; Offit Kurman, Attorneys at Law; Maraziti Falcon LLP; CDM Smith; Mott MacDonald; CME Associates; The Buzak Law Group; Bowman and Company, LLP; Certified Public Accountants & Consultants.



DLGS Announces Local Efficiency Achievement Program Grants

AEA received the following from the Department of Community Affairs (DCA):

The Division of Local Government Services and New Jersey's Shared Services Czars are pleased to announce that applications are now being accepted for FY 2021 Local Efficiency Achievement Program (LEAP) Grants.

LEAP affords an unprecedented opportunity to incentivize shared services implementation across New Jersey's local government entities, advancing the mission of the Shared Services Program. LEAP facilitates exploring and establishing shared services by providing counties, municipalities, school districts, commissions, authorities and fire districts assistance for the study or implementation of promising shared services projects undertaken pursuant to the Uniform Shared Service and Consolidation Act.

Applications are due no later than February 26, 2021.

Applications, Program Guidelines and detailed information about the FY 2021 LEAP Program is available

at: <https://www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/dlgs/programs/leapgrants.html>.

Notice sent to: Municipal Clerks; County Clerks; Freeholder Board Clerks; Authority Officials; Fire District Officials; DLGS Listserv

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