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Urban Waters Federal Partnership

Restoring Urban Waters, Revitalizing Communities

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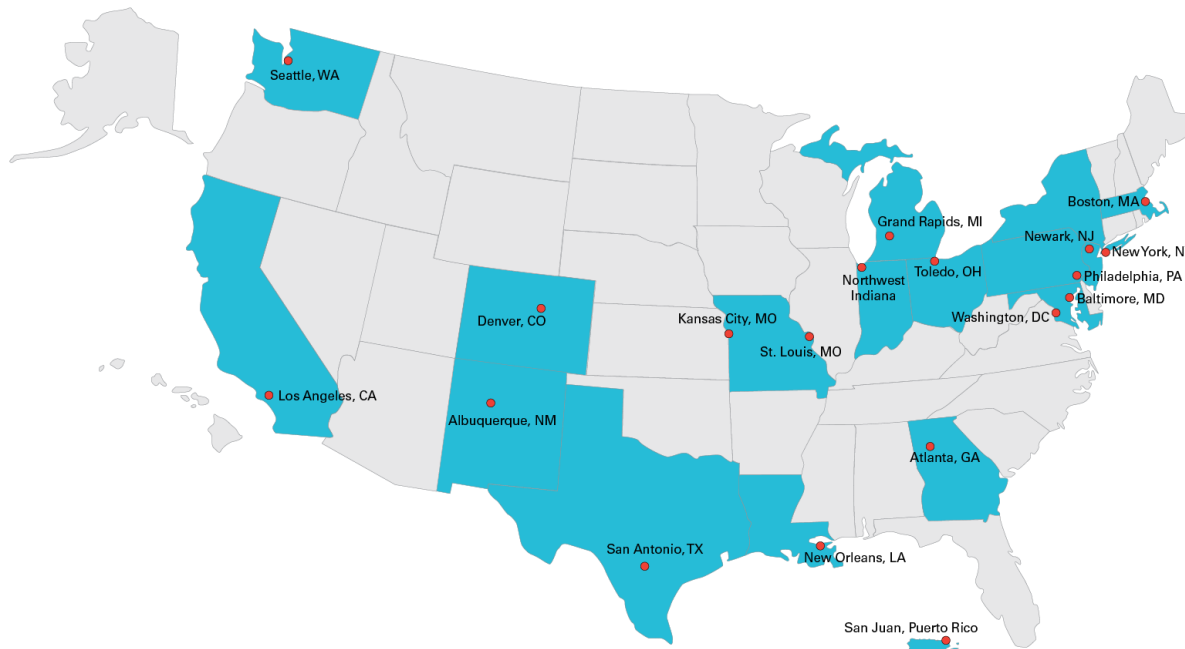
EPA Urban Waters Program and Brownfields Town Hall

Brownfields 2015 Conference
1:15 – 2:30 pm

September 2, 2015

The Urban Waters Federal Partnership

Vision: “Through our Partnership, we will **revitalize urban waters and the communities that surround them**, transforming overlooked assets into treasured centerpieces and drivers of urban revival.”



Partnership Principles

- ❖ Promote clean urban waters
- ❖ Reconnect people to their waterways
- ❖ Promote water conservation
- ❖ Use water to promote economic revitalization
- ❖ Encourage community improvements through active partnerships
- ❖ Be open & honest; Listen to communities to learn.
- ❖ Measure success & evaluate to fuel future success

Federal Partnership Accomplishments

- ❖ National Partnership for Five Years
- ❖ Resources for America's urban locations committed or will be committed
- ❖ Spreading the word on successful practices nationwide



Urban Waters and Brownfields Fundamentally a Match

- **Transforming blighted space to urban treasures** (*often in close proximity to most underserved and distressed communities and near waterfronts and urban rivers*)
- **Catalyzing or creating economic revitalization** (*open space or economically viable public use*)
- **Impacting a wide range of environmental and social objectives:**

- Wildlife Habitat
- Trails, Parks & Open Space
- Water Quality & Quantity
- Climate Resilience
- River Protection & Restoration





Please join the Camden County Municipal Utilities Authority
and Camden SMART for:



PHOENIX PARK OPENING CEREMONY

Please join us on June, 2nd at 2:00pm; Phoenix Park Phase#1 will open. This 5.3 acre site has been transformed into a recreational park in Camden's Waterfront South neighborhood. The park has removed a contaminated brownfield site from the city, improves stormwater management, air quality and gives residents new access to open space. The park has a shelterbelt of trees, meadow, walking path, and views of the Delaware River.

Tuesday, June 2, 2015
2:00pm
227 Jefferson Street
Camden NJ, 08104
(856) 541-3700



Many thanks to our supporters & partners:



West Meadows Project for Jordan Creek *City of Springfield, Missouri*

Partners

- Environmental Protection Agency
- US Army Corps of Engineers
- Federal DOT – Transportation
- MO Department of Natural Resources
- Ozark Greenways
- Kansas State University
- Missouri Department of Conservation
- Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad
- Jordan Valley Advisory Committee
- Citizens of Springfield

Key Project Benefits

- Clean-up of 8 sites and day-lighting of Jordan Creek
- 2nd largest detention basin in Springfield
- 18 acres of green space added



2008 Flooding



Planned Open Space



The Urban Waters Federal Partnership Will Grow In Impact

Building the Partnership nationwide by:

- ❖ Increasing and measuring results at the 19 Partnership Locations
- ❖ Launching the Partnership's Handbook for communities nationwide
- ❖ Working with the 28+ national NGOs and many more local NGOs supporting the Partnership
- ❖ Deepening our work within the 14 federal agencies in the Partnership and possible adding more agencies