

## **Notice of Public Hearing**

### **Borough of Califon Hunterdon County, New Jersey Califon Stormwater Improvement Project**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Borough of Califon will hold a Public hearing on February 20, 2014 to gather public input on the proposed Califon Stormwater Improvement Project (the "Project").

In accordance with procedures established to evaluate projects that have applied for assistance under the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Financing Program (NJEIFP), a Level 2 environmental review is being conducted on the Project. The project will involve stream corridor improvements which include the replacement of an existing obstructed culvert and improvements to the existing open channel drainage system, construction of stormwater conveyance relief piping along Main Street and construction of mini-diversions, recharges trenches and a re-vegetation area. These improvements are to reduce the incidences of flooding and improve water quality in the South Branch of the Raritan River watershed.

The proposed recharge trenches and re-vegetation area are proposed at Block 20, lot 4.01 in the Borough of Califon. This property is an open space tract acquired by the Borough in 2011 with financing from both Green Acres Trust Funding and NJEIFP. This parcel totals 15.962 acres (gross acreage), of which 7.873 acres are deed restricted in keeping with the NJEIFP closing held on March 31, 2011. This property is bound by Academy Street to the west, Main Street to the east and Railroad Avenue to the North. The land acquisition and environmental features are discussed in the NJEIFP Environmental Decision Document and Environmental Assessment issued on October 8, 2009 and as modified on March 23, 2011.

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has made a preliminary decision to assist this project under the EIFP. The Proposed Loan amount is \$665,000.00.

The Public Hearing will be conducted on February 20, 2014 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Borough of Califon Municipal Offices, Council Room, located at 39 Academy Street, Califon, N.J. 07930. Representatives from the Borough and/or their representatives will be available to address questions by the public. All comments received, verbal or written, will be responded to in a written Public Hearing Report.

The Environmental Planning documents will be available in the offices of the Borough Clerk for public review at Borough of Califon Municipal Offices located at 39 Academy Street, Califon, N.J. 07830 a minimum of 30 days prior to the Public Hearing. All written comments may also be submitted to the Borough Engineer prior to the hearing.

Written comments should be addressed to:

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