

Grantee News

- The NJ Department of Environmental Protection will issue permits to 25 municipalities and utilities that will mandate a reduction in the amount of raw sewage that is dumped into municipal water systems due to pressure from the EPA and environmental groups, including NY/NJ Baykeeper. Read the Star-Ledger editorial [here](#).
- Fair Share Housing Center led oral arguments during the NJ Supreme Court hearing concerning delays to affordable housing and inaction by the Council on Affordable Housing on January 6, 2015. Read the NJ Spotlight coverage [here](#).
- Rick Engler, director of NJ Work Environment Council, was confirmed by the Senate for a 5-year term on the U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board on December 16, 2014. He will be sworn in to office in February.
- NJ Work Environment Council released *Danger in the Dark: How Gov. Christie Helps Oil, Chemical, and Railroad Companies Cover Up Potential Catastrophes*. The report chronicles the failure of the State Emergency Response Commission to ensure that counties and municipalities provide public access to Emergency Response Plans that are used during chemical fires and other toxic emergencies. Read the full report [here](#).
- Legal Services of NJ released *Income Inequality in New Jersey: The Growing Divide and Its Consequences*, highlighting the increasing income inequality in NJ. Since 2009, only the top 20% of households in NJ have experienced income growth, while the bottom 40% of households have seen a continuous decline in median and average income. Read the full report [here](#).
- The Pinelands Preservation Alliance released its annual *State of the Pinelands* report detailing the actions of government agencies and elected officials with regards to Pinelands protection during 2014. Read the full report [here](#).

Upcoming Events

- February 13, 2015—NJ Spotlight Breakfast Roundtable: How Well is New Jersey Prepared to Deal With Climate Change? Learn more and RSVP [here](#).

Job Announcements

- NJ Spotlight—Account Sales Manager. Click [here](#) for details.
- NJ Work Environment Council—Executive Director. Click [here](#) for details.
- American Friends Service Committee—Leadership and Planned Gift Officer, Northeast. Click [here](#) for details.