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**PROJECT FACT SHEET** 

**Assunpink Creek** Trenton, NJ

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## **CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS:** Reps. Smith (NJ-4), Holt (NJ-12)

**APPROPRIATION / PHASE:** Continuing Authorities / Design & Implementation **BUSINESS PROGRAM:** Ecosystem Restoration

AUTHORITY: Section 1135 of WRDA 1986, Environmental Restoration.

LOCATION: The Assunpink Creek Ecosystem Restoration Project - Broad Street Culvert Removal- is located on the lower Assunpink Creek in Trenton, New Jersey. Assunpink Creek is 25 miles long, and drains approximately 91 square miles in central New Jersey. This specific project encompasses a 500-foot section of the lower Assunpink Creek in downtown Trenton where the creek is contained within a buried concrete box culvert between Broad and Warren Streets.

**DESCRIPTION:** The culvert is located in the heart of the downtown business district on a recovering urban stream that connects various greenway areas and transportation facilities. The day lighting of the stream will occur by completely removing the culvert roof, walls and floor, and exposing the stream to natural daylight and channel conditions. The new channel will improve anadromous fish migration by eliminating low-light conditions which disorient migrating fish and hinder their ability to spawn upstream. The project also benefits businesses in the area and provides recreational, historical and educational opportunities for the community as the site of the Revolutionary War's Second Battle of Trenton.

STATUS: The Project Partnership Agreement (PPA) with the City of Trenton was executed and Federal funds (\$4M) for construction received in September 2009. These funds are being used to complete plans and specifications to award a contract for construction of the project. Several issues with regard to cultural resources investigations and soil contamination have recently been identified which have delayed the project schedule.

FINANCIAL					BUDGET		
DATA (\$000)	Fed	Non-Fed	Total	_	DATA (\$000)		Comments
Feasibility	422	*	422		Thru FY 09	4,924	Fully funded
Design & Implementation	4,500	**1,750	6,250		FY 10	0	
* Reimbursed during construction phase					FY 11	0	

Reimbursed during construction phase

**SPONSOR:** City of Trenton, New Jersey

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