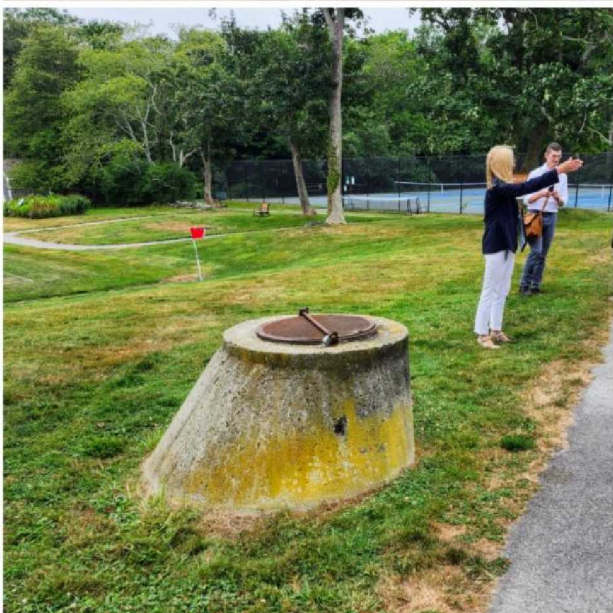
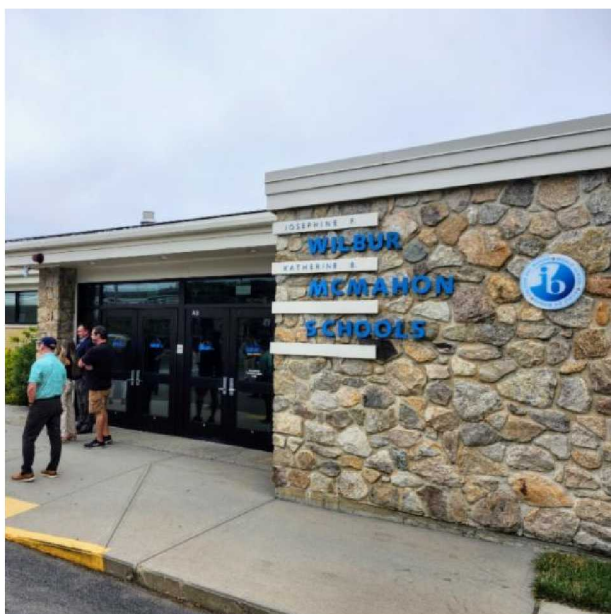


## Addressing PFAS Contamination In Little Compton

Along with representatives from the Rhode Island Department of Health, we recently had the opportunity to visit the Wilbur & McMahon School in Little Compton to see firsthand how the community is utilizing a \$550,000 Emerging Contaminants grant to address PFAS contamination present in the school's well-based drinking water system. Utilizing grant funding, made possible through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, the Little Compton School District will be installing a new treatment system to remove PFAS. The project will be up and running in early 2026, ensuring safe drinking water for the 220-student school and five nearby municipal buildings.

The Providence Journal also joined us for the tour and featured this excellent article -- [\*Little Compton school will lead the way in RI to abate 'forever chemicals.' Here's how.\*](#) -- on our efforts to help Rhode Island communities, large and small, address PFAS and other emerging contaminants impacting local drinking water systems.



## Bristol Opens New, More Resilient Independence Park Boat Ramp

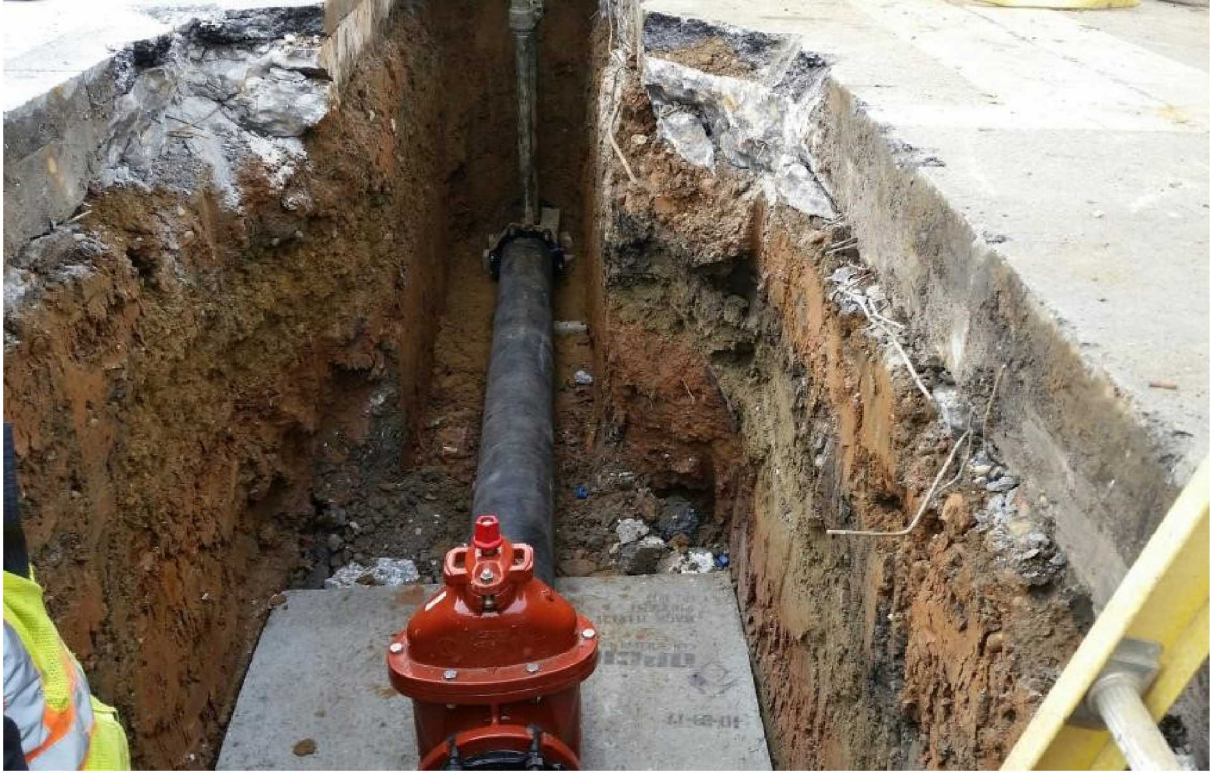
On August 6th, we joined with local officials to cut the ribbon on the Town of Bristol's new, more resilient Independence Park boat ramp. Utilizing a \$461,000 Municipal Resilience Program Action Grant, the project made stormwater improvements to the site via brownfield remediation, replacing paved surfaces with green space, and adding bioretention areas.

Check out this great [video](#) from our Municipal Resilience Program partners at the Nature Conservancy about the Independence Park boat ramp project.



## Infrastructure Bank Closes On \$5 Million Loan For Lincoln Water Main Replacement Project

On August 20th, we closed on \$5 million in low-cost Drinking Water State Revolving Fund financing for water main replacements in the Town of Lincoln's Saylesville neighborhood. The project will replace approximately 7,400 feet of asbestos cement water main with new ductile iron water main. The loan also includes \$250,000 at 0% interest for public and private lead service line replacements within the Saylesville project area.



## Infrastructure Bank Partners With Treasurer Diosa And RI League Of Cities & Towns To Share Funding Opportunities With Municipal Partners

On August 20th, we joined with Treasurer James Diosa and the Rhode Island League of Cities & Towns for a webinar with municipal leaders from across the state to learn about our many programs and infrastructure project funding opportunities.

[See the slides from the presentation here](#), and watch the full webinar using [this link](#).



Thank You To Our Infrastructure Bank Summer Interns

A big thank you to our summer interns Lesley Bencosme from the University of Rhode Island, Gabriel Matos from Rhode Island College, Emma Borkman from Salve Regina University, and Bryan Parker from Bryant University!



*Clockwise from top: Emma Borkman, Bryan Parker, Lesley Bencosme, Gabriel Matos*

## October 15th Infrastructure Bank Seminar: Navigating Change With Purpose

Join us Wednesday, October 15th from 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM at the Rhode Island Convention Center for our *Navigating Change With Purpose* seminar.

- Guest speakers including industry leaders, public officials, and policymakers.
- Learn about the current infrastructure funding environment.
- Success stories from clients meeting challenges by utilizing our financing and grant programs.

Breakfast and lunch will be provided.



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## Infrastructure Bank In The News

[Little Compton school will lead the way in RI to abate 'forever chemicals.' Here's how. Providence Journal](#)

*That's where the infrastructure bank came in . . . Rhode Island has gotten about \$50 million from the federal government for PFAS remediation, according to the bank, which is working with the state Department of Health to allocate the funds. The bank has so far awarded \$15.8 million in grants, including awards to North Scituate Elementary School, Capt. Isaac Paine Elementary School in Foster, Charlestown Elementary School, West Glocester Elementary School and Wilbur & McMahon Schools.*

[Rockland Oaks expected to have clean water by October. Valley Breeze](#)

*With connections ready to tie Rockland Oaks to Scituate High School, it's only a matter of brief time before residents of the senior living facility will again have clean water. Christopher Hunter, spokesperson for Rhode Island Infrastructure Bank, said Scituate's Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan for the improvements to the water system and expansion to accommodate Rockland Oaks usage is complete. "The Rockland Oaks project is underway. They've entered the construction phase*

and are steadily drawing down on their loan,” Hunter said.

### [Changes in Cumberland will improve town’s resilience to heat, flooding](#)

*Increasing plant life and reducing asphalt are the two simplest ways for a town to blunt the impacts of climate change, whether heat effects or flooding . . . The Horsley Witten Group and Rhode Island Division of Statewide Planning are helping the town in updating land use tools, regulations, and other policies to increase resilience. Kelly and his team have updated the town’s regulations, zoning ordinance, and code of ordinances related to parking, landscaping, drainage, special flood hazard areas, soil erosion and sediment control, and stormwater.*

### [Open for boat business, Bristol Phoenix](#)

*The project was more than just a boat ramp repair under the direction of the Harbormaster’s office, which is charged with maintaining all public right-of-way to the water. It included important elements like retention basins to capture and clean stormwater that, prior to this project, would have simply run off the streets into the harbor. “We didn’t have that before,” said Contente. “The water would come up from from Hope Street and even as far as Wood Street and right into the harbor.”*

### [Bristol receives \\$2.8 million for road work, Bristol Phoenix](#)

*“The Town of Bristol works to continually invest in and improve our network of road infrastructure,” said Town Administrator Steven Contente. “We want to thank the Rhode Island Infrastructure Bank for working with us to obtain low-cost financing for road work throughout our community.”*



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