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The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo
Governor of New York State
Executive Chamber
State Capitol
Albany, New York 12224

Dear Governor Cuomo:

On behalf of the 2,500 members of the NY Water Environment Association we wholeheartedly thank you for your recent announcement regarding the increases in funding to the Environmental Protection Fund and Water Infrastructure Improvement Act.

The state has a critical role to play in assisting local governments making investments to further protect public health and the environment. New York's abundant water is our largest asset, by protecting these waters now, we build a solid foundation for future generations.

Since taking office your commitment to rebuilding the Environmental Protection Fund with creation of the Water Infrastructure Improvement Act have promoted the incredible benefits it brings our state – abundant clean water and other environmental and public health protections, economic development, tourism opportunities, climate resilience, recreational access, and quality of life. We look forward to continuing our discussions with your administration as we work together to achieve a transformational change from the status quo, which includes a robust Environmental Protection Fund and continued investment in the Water Infrastructure Improvement Act.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Garland, P.E.
President, NYWEA



**Environmental Responsibility
and Economic Development
go Hand-in-Hand.**

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