

Potential Collaborations for Holistic Environmental Planning in New Jersey:

A Hackensack River Corridor Demonstration Project

Meeting with Policy Advisory Group
Office of the Governor
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Environmental & Energy Transition Report Priorities

- 1) Confronting climate change
- 2) Addressing environmental justice disparities
- 3) Protecting New Jersey's water and natural resources

Urban & Regional Growth Transition Report Priorities

- 1) Strategic and equitable growth
- 2) Sustainable economic growth
- 3) Bolster resiliency of communities



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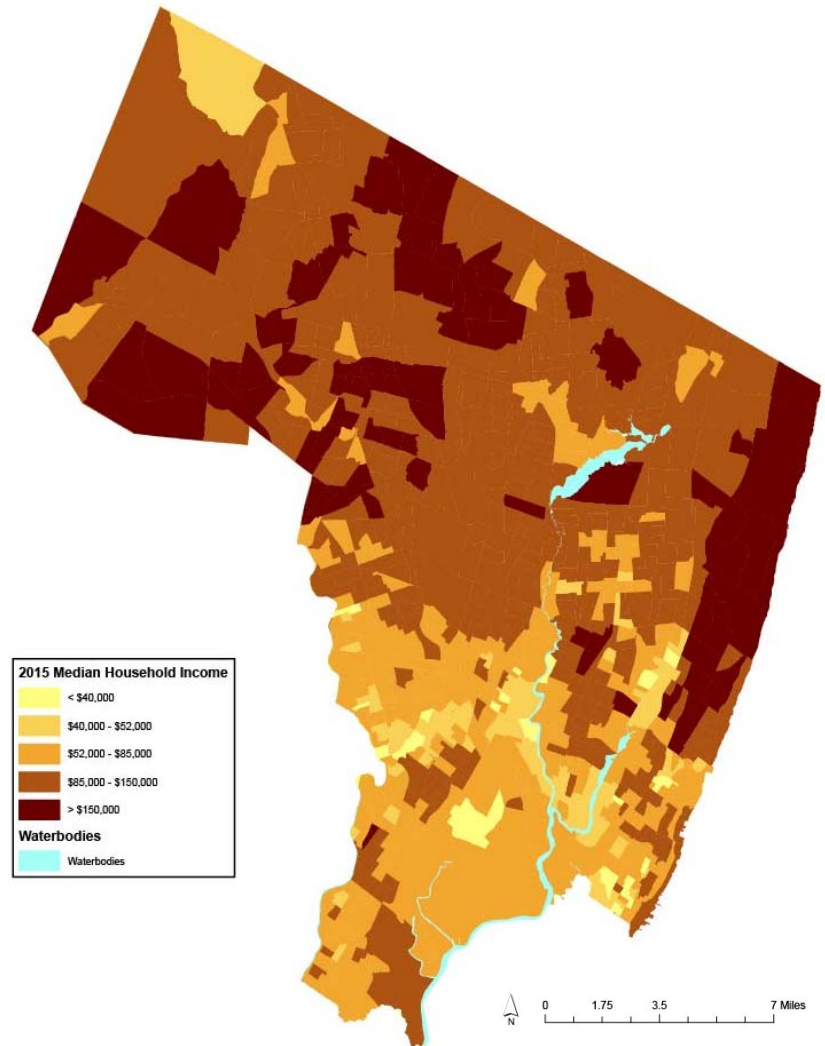
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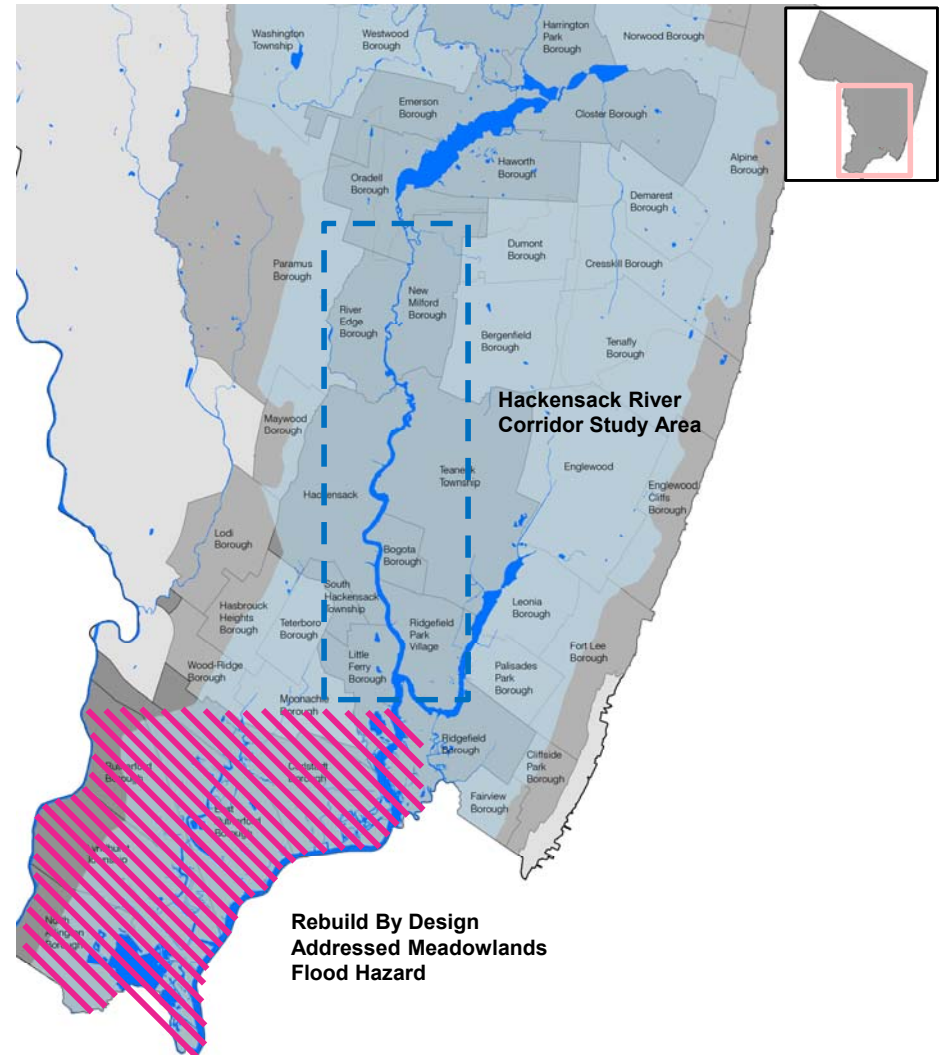
Bergen County is a Reflection of Suburban New Jersey

- Economic diversity
- Demographic diversity



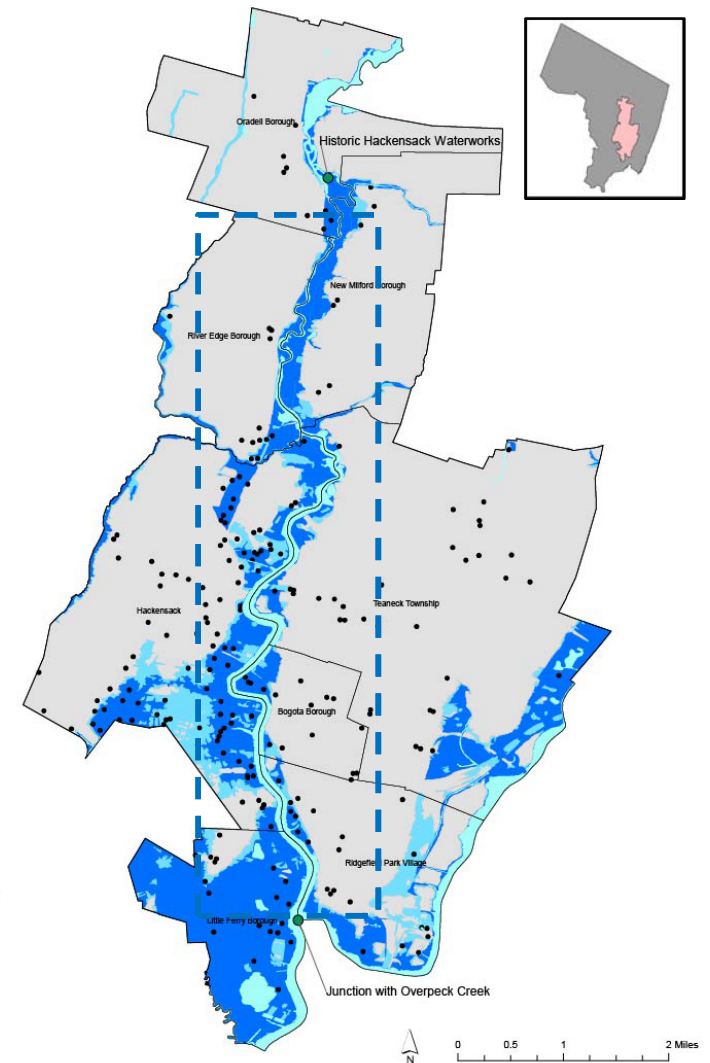
Hackensack River Corridor: A Demonstration for Municipal Collaboration

- Addresses many Transition Committee priorities
- Study area = Junction with Overpeck Creek north to Hackensack Waterworks



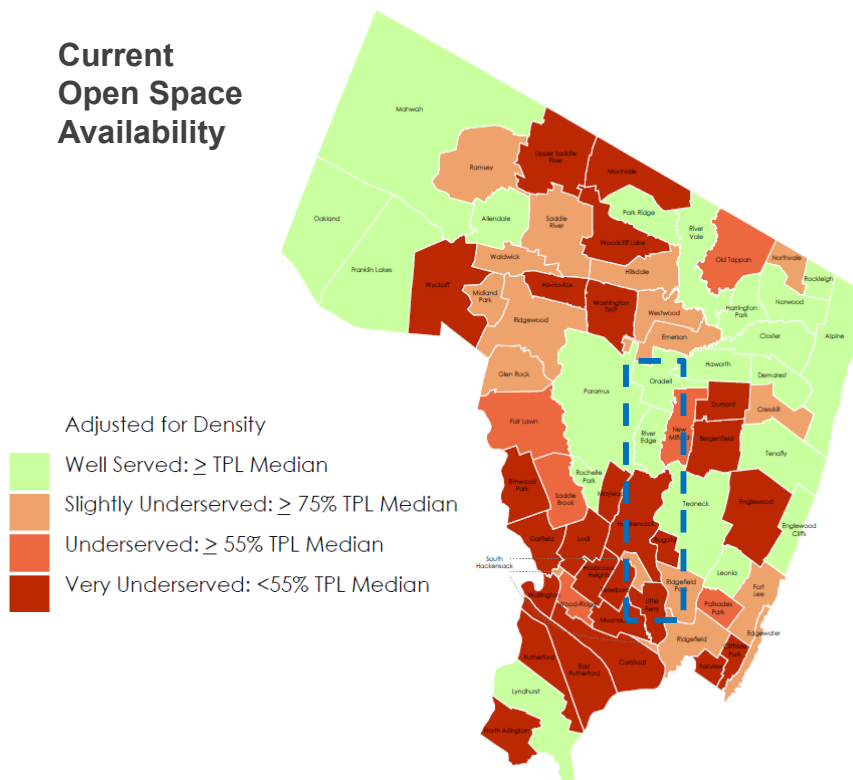
Hackensack River Corridor: Confront Climate Change

Flood Zones and Known Contaminated Sites

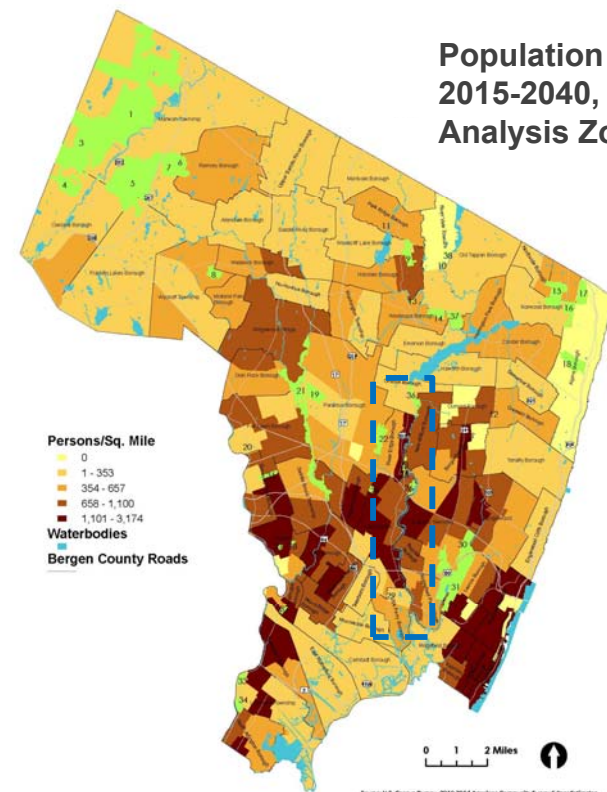


Hackensack River Corridor: Healthy Communities

Current Open Space Availability

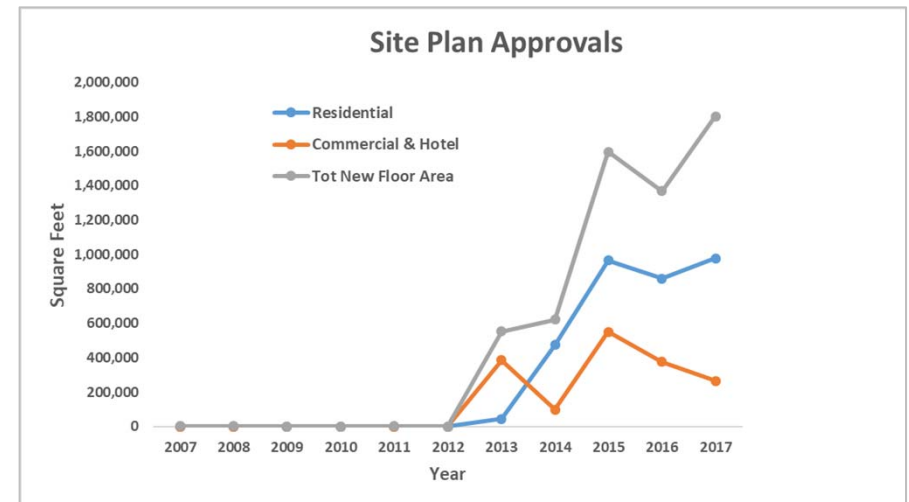
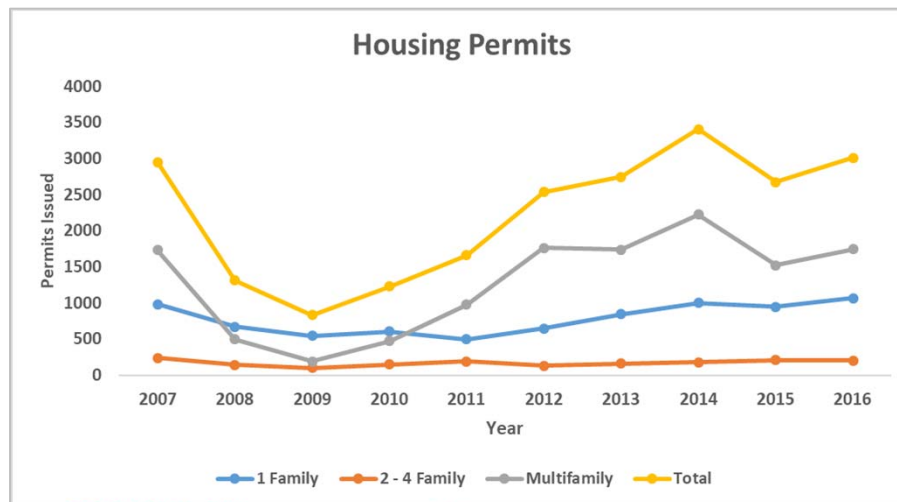


Population Growth, 2015-2040, by Traffic Analysis Zone



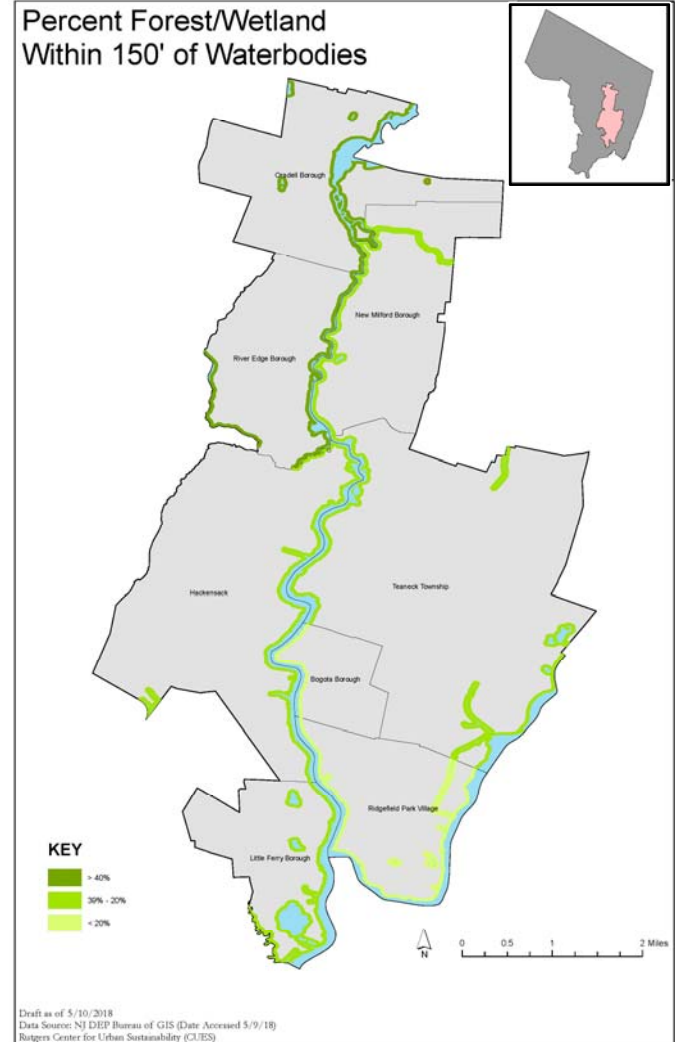
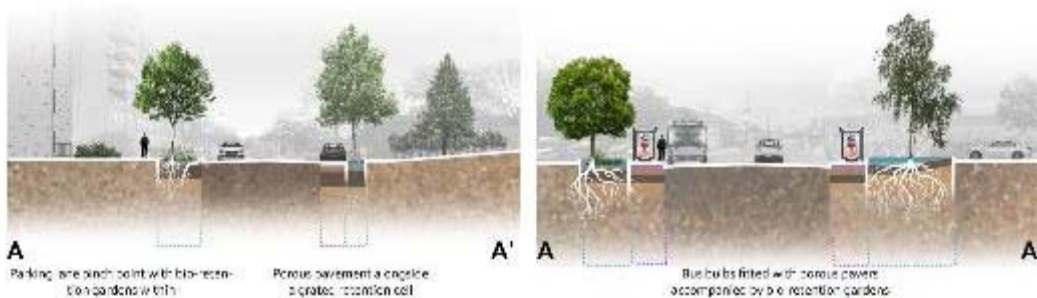
Hackensack River Corridor: Strategic Equitable Growth Through Collaboration

- Municipal development decisions have significant regional impact

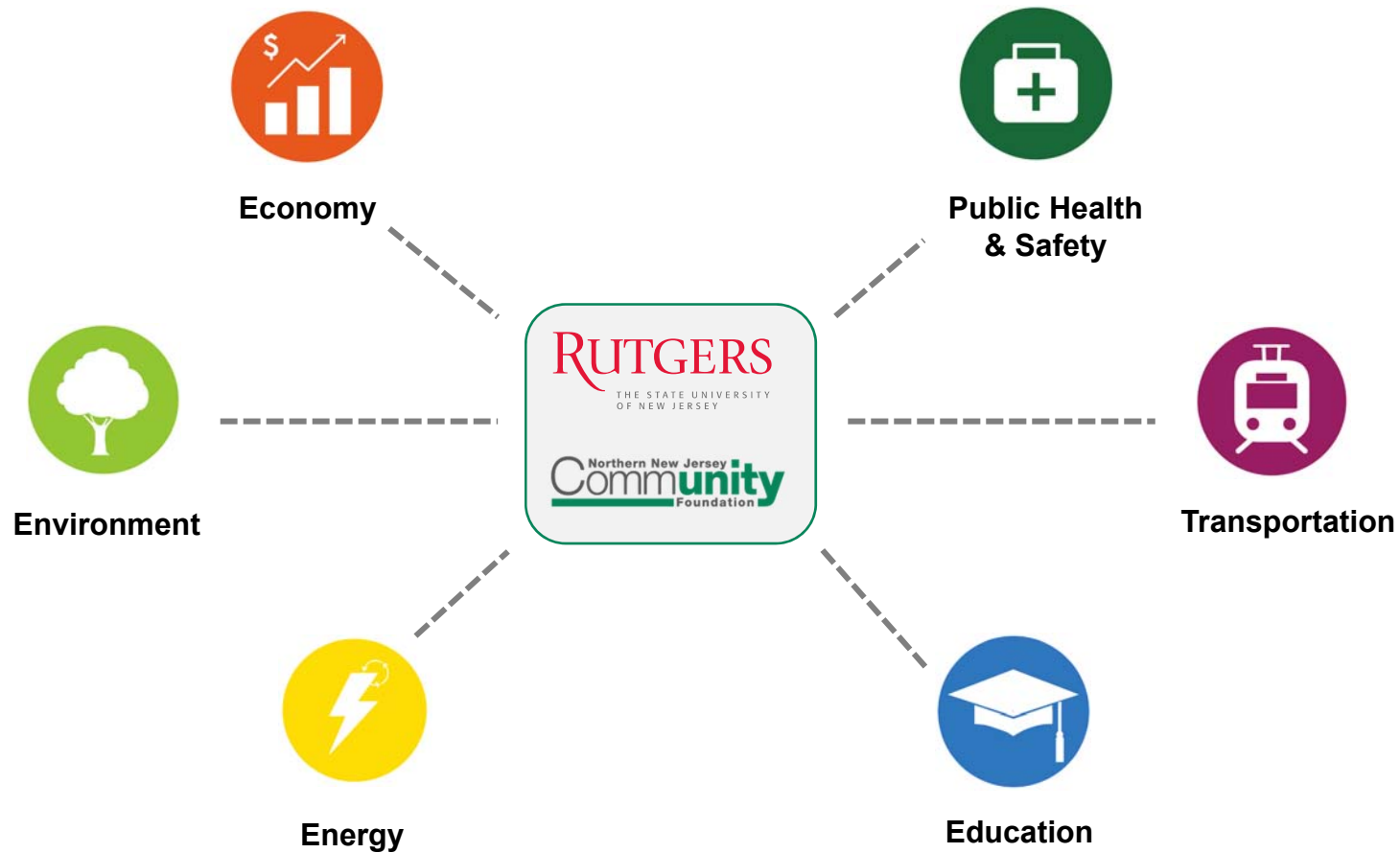


Hackensack River Corridor: Protect Water & Natural Resources

- Hackensack River Greenway
- Green Infrastructure



Opportunities for Collaboration



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Economy

NJ Economic Development Authority
NJ Dept. of Community Affairs
Labor & Workforce Development
NJ Dept. of Treasury
Rutgers Business School
Bergen County Chamber of Commerce



Environment

NJ DEP
NJ Office of Resiliency*
NJ Environmental Infrastructure Trust
Rutgers School of Environmental & Biological Sciences (SEBS)
Hackensack Riverkeeper



Energy

NJ DOE
Board of Public Utilities Authorities
Rutgers Energy Institute
PSEG



Public Health & Safety

NJ Dept. of Health
NJ Office of Emergency Management
Rutgers School of Public Health
Bergen County Health Department



Transportation

NJ DOT
NJ Transit
NJ Turnpike Authority
Bloustein, Voorhees Transportation Center (VTC)
Bergen County



Education

NJ DOE
Rutgers
FDU
Bergen County Community College
Bergen Academies

Next Steps

- Meet with Hackensack River Corridor municipalities & local stakeholders
- Develop conceptual environmental planning report for the Corridor
- Meet with State agencies, Bergen County, and local stakeholders to identify further demonstration projects
- Identify funding sources for the Hackensack River Corridor
- Fall Semester Rutgers environmental planning studio – environmental visions for New Jersey



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Regional Complete Streets Network



Photo: Eric Sehr

Hackensack River Coalition Expertise Supporting Local Planning

Growing Local Economies



Photo: Marion Brown



A Vibrant River Ecosystem



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Clean Energy Powering Local Communities

Greenways for Healthy Lifestyle



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