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New Jersey American Water Invests Over $520 Million in System Upgrades Statewide in 2024

CAMDEN, N.J. – February 20, 2025 – New Jersey American Water announced today its 2024 end-of-year investment total for system improvements, totaling more than $520 million in water and wastewater system upgrades throughout its service areas.

"Keeping our water infrastructure strong and reliable isn't a one-time job—it's a proactive effort we focus on year after year," said Mark McDonough, President of New Jersey American Water. "The capital investments we make across our systems provide more robust, efficient, and resilient infrastructure, which helps us continue to meet or surpass water quality standards and deliver better service for our customers."

McDonough added that in addition to helping the company continue to provide safe, clean, reliable service for customers, this level of investment contributed to more than 7,800 jobs.

New Jersey American Water's annual investments encompass upgrades and improvements made to the company's water and wastewater infrastructure, including treatment plants, tanks, pump stations, pipes, fire hydrants and metering equipment.

System improvement highlights for 2024 include:

- **Water Mains**: A $150 million investment to install, replace, or rehabilitate more than 55 miles of main. Pipe improvement projects are critical to help maintain water quality, pressure, fire protection and service reliability. This also includes $2.2 million investment in leak detection equipment.
- **Fire Hydrants**: A $17 million investment to replace 536 fire hydrants and 1,328 valves.
- **Service Lines**: A $99.6 million investment to replace 12,055 service lines.
- **Water Treatment and Production System Improvements**: A $68.3 million investment for improvements at water treatment facilities, including:
    - Jumping Brook Water Treatment Plant
    - Canal Road Water Treatment Plant
    - Groundwater wells in various service areas
- **Wastewater Treatment & System Improvements**: Over $18 million in improvements to wastewater treatment facilities, including:
    - Filter and pump upgrades at Long Hill Wastewater Treatment Plant
    - Lift station improvements at Lakewood Wastewater Treatment Plant
    - Operational upgrades at Hawk Pointe Wastewater Treatment Plant
- **Tanks/Storage**: A $4 million investment to rehabilitate two tanks and perform detailed inspections of another 37 tanks.

New Jersey American Water is continually investing in the local communities where it operates, ensuring that water infrastructure that is reaching the end of its useful life is replaced to improve service for residents. Proactive capital investments are a crucial part of maintaining service reliability, water quality and flows for fire protection.

To learn more about these investments, and more projects that are underway across the state, visit newjerseyamwater.com/Infrastructure.

About New Jersey American Water

New Jersey American Water, a subsidiary of American Water (NYSE: AWK), is the largest regulated water utility in the state, providing high-quality and reliable water and wastewater services to approximately 2.9 million people.

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