New Jersey American Water President Mark McDonough Joins American Water Leadership to Meet with Congressional Leaders in Washington D.C.

Company discusses solutions to water and wastewater infrastructure challenges

CAMDEN, N.J. – JULY 17, 2025 –New Jersey American Water President Mark McDonough joined a cohort of American Water state presidents and senior executives to meet with Members of Congress in Washington, D.C. this week. The group aimed to strengthen relationships with policymakers and discuss potential solutions to vital water and wastewater infrastructure needs across the nation.

Led by American Water President and Chief Executive Officer John Griffith and Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer Cheryl Norton, the engagements included representation from 11 states and more than 40 meetings with congressional offices. Key topics focused on policy issues that affect water utilities, investment in water and wastewater infrastructure, the future of clean water access, and other key legislative priorities.

“This Fly-In gave us a valuable opportunity to elevate the voices of our New Jersey customers and bring attention to the urgent need for continued investment in aging water and wastewater systems across the country,” said Mark McDonough, president of New Jersey American Water. “We had productive conversations with policymakers about advancing sustainable solutions that strengthen critical infrastructure while keeping water service affordable. That’s important to us as a provider, but even more important to the customers and communities who depend on us every day.”

This year’s Fly-In underscored the need for significant investment in water infrastructure, especially given the American Society of Civil Engineers’ (ASCE) 2025 Report Card for America’s Infrastructure. The nation's drinking water systems received a grade of “C-” and wastewater systems a grade of “D+,” highlighting the serious challenges facing U.S. water and wastewater utilities. American Water plans to invest $40–$42 billion over the next decade in infrastructure upgrades and repairs, including right here in New Jersey.

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