



Money Matters Task Force

NACWA's Money Matters Task Force addresses all legislative, regulatory, legal and public affairs issues related to the *Money Matters* campaign to advance the clean water community's agenda on the affordability front. As the *Money Matters* advocacy and public affairs campaign gains momentum, this Task Force will help make municipal Clean Water Act (CWA) affordability concerns a priority for the incoming Congress, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and other key stakeholders. At the heart of the affordability issue is the need to ensure that municipalities have the flexibility they need to invest limited dollars into those projects and programs that will maximize water quality benefits. This flexibility must take into full account the ability to implement green infrastructure approaches and to account for water quality benefits based on a watershed assessment. It is clear that with wet weather issues at the forefront and with new regulations on stormwater, sanitary sewer overflows (SSOs), nutrients, and others on the horizon, CWA affordability issues are at the heart of NACWA's advocacy agenda.

The following NACWA public agency members are listed as the recommended Chair and Members of the Money Matters Task Force:

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