

The Borough of Beach Haven is implementing one of the largest water conservation initiatives ever seen in Beach Haven. In January of 2009 the push began to install water meters for all consumers of water from the Beach Haven water supply. Commercial users purchased water meters provided by the Borough to be installed by private plumbers and an installation deadline was recently set for December 31, 2009. The Borough of Beach Haven applied for and received \$2.1 million in federal stimulus funds to begin installation of the residential water meters, the largest grant ever received by Beach Haven Borough. Residential consumers, thanks to the federal grant funds, will be provided a water meter installed in an underground pit at the sole cost of the Borough. Additional funding will be bonded through the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust at a low interest rate to complete the project. Once all meters, commercial and residential are installed the meters will be read, on-demand, at the touch of a button through technology mounted on the Borough water tower. Closely monitoring the water usage at any given time will allow the Beach Haven Water Department to prepare for increases in water usage not only in the summer months but in the winter months when empty homes may have suffered a pipe break.

To date the Borough has received approximately \$450,000 to begin the project and will continue to update the official Borough website on the status of the stimulus funds and our water infrastructure projects.

The Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Beach Haven is proud to be accomplishing a project that has been on the horizon for many years. More information is available by contacting Borough Hall at #609-492-0111.