



## GEI Selected as Geotechnical Consultant on MDC Clean Water Project

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GEI Consultants, Inc., one of the nation's leading water resources, geotechnical and environmental engineering firms, announced recently that it has been chosen by the Metropolitan District (MDC) to provide geotechnical and environmental engineering services as part the MDC's Clean Water Project. The MDC manages the water and sewer systems in the Hartford, Connecticut region.

The water quality of the Connecticut River is affected by sewer and storm water overflow each time it rains more than one-quarter of an inch, an average of fifty times each year. When this happens, area basements and streets experience flooding by untreated sewage and storm water run-off, creating a public health and safety issue. Working to mitigate these risks by separating combined sewers and increasing storage capacity and treatment to reduce overflows is the purpose of the Clean Water Project.

GEI was selected to assist in geotechnical services associated with the design and construction of new sanitary sewers and interceptors, storm drains and tunnels on a program-wide basis for three years.

"Storm events in the Hartford area carry the potential for releasing wastewater into communities and area waterways unable to deal with these water quality hazards. The Clean Water Project aims to limit overflows into the environment by implemented targeted projects that will address water quality impacts," said Jay Curran, vice president at GEI Consultants. "By improving the performance and structural integrity of the District's water-related infrastructure, GEI can help limit the District's vulnerability to these risks."

The Clean Water Project implements targeted projects to address water quality impacts ranging from new sewer and drainage system construction to increased wastewater treatment capacity and new tunnel storage. Additionally, the Clean Water Project formally addresses a federal consent decree and a Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) consent order to achieve Federal Clean Water Act goals. For more information about the Clean Water Project, please visit <http://thecleanwaterproject.com/>.

### About The Metropolitan District

The MDC is a nonprofit municipal corporation chartered by the Connecticut General Assembly in 1929. The MDC provides water, sewer and household hazardous waste collection services to its member municipalities: Bloomfield, East Hartford, Hartford, Newington, Rocky Hill, West Hartford, Wethersfield and Windsor. In addition, under a series of special agreements, the District supplies treated water to Glastonbury, the southern portion of South Windsor, the eastern portion of Farmington, East Granby and Unionville. For more information, visit <http://www.themdc.com/>.

### About GEI Consultants, Inc.

GEI's multi-disciplined team of engineers and scientists deliver geotechnical, environmental, integrated water resources and ecological solutions to diverse clientele nationwide. The firm has provided a broad range of consulting and engineering services on over 25,000 projects in 50 states and 22 countries. For more information, please visit the firm's web site at [www.geiconsultants.com](http://www.geiconsultants.com).