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Governor to Sign Environmental Protection Bill Package, Will Later Deliver Veterans Property Tax Rebate Checks

Gov. Christie Whitman on Monday will sign a series of environmental bills designed to ensure that New Jersey's water supply remains clean and pristine. The Governor will sign A-1953/A-2089/A-2090/A-2091/A-2092. The legislation will enable the DEP and the Environmental Infrastructure Trust to appropriate a series of zero interest or low interest loans totaling more than \$100 million for clean water and safe drinking water projects. The legislation will also provide \$15 million for the acquisition of land along the Passaic River floodway.

The Governor will later focus on New Jersey's property tax exemption program for disabled veterans. The Governor will deliver a number of rebate checks to disabled veterans during a ceremony at Veterans Park.