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**State Transportation Bonds --- 1968**

An amount of \$640,000,000 was authorized to improve the public transportation system. Of this amount, not more than \$200,000,000 was for mass transportation facilities, with the remainder for the improvement of highways.

**Water Conservation Bonds --- 1969**

An amount of \$271,000,000 was authorized for planning, developing, constructing and maintaining facilities to provide adequate water supplies for potable, industrial, commercial, irrigation and recreational uses.

**State Recreation and Conservation Land Acquisition and Development Bonds --- 1974**

An amount of \$200,000,000 was authorized for the acquisition of land by the State, and for municipalities through State grants, for recreation and conservation purposes. In addition, this Act also provides funds for State and local development of acquired lands to expand and enhance recreation and conservation uses.

**Clean Waters Bonds --- 1976**

An amount of \$120,000,000 was authorized for the conservation and development of water resources through construction of water supply and wastewater treatment facilities.

**Institutions Construction Bonds --- 1976**

An amount of \$80,000,000 was authorized to provide safe and humane facilities at institutions for the mentally ill, mentally retarded and incarcerated through construction of new facilities or rehabilitation of existing facilities. An amount of \$41,500,000 was allocated to the Department of Corrections and \$38,500,000 was allocated to the Department of Human Services.

**State Mortgage Assistance Bonds --- 1976**

An amount of \$25,000,000 was authorized for construction, rehabilitation and maintenance of housing for senior citizens and families of low and moderate-income and to provide funds for second mortgages.

**Medical Education Facilities Bonds --- 1977**

An amount of \$120,000,000 was authorized to refinance revenue bonds issued in 1974 by the New Jersey Health Care Facilities Financing Authority. The refinancing reduced interest costs for the construction of the teaching hospital at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey and provided savings that were made available for other needed medical facilities.

**Beaches and Harbors Bonds --- 1977**

An amount of \$30,000,000 was authorized for the restoration, maintenance and protection of the State's beaches and harbors.

**Emergency Flood Control Bonds --- 1978**

An amount of \$25,000,000 was authorized to develop and maintain flood control facilities and to develop a flood control master plan for the State.

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**Institutional Construction Bonds --- 1978**

An amount of \$100,000,000 was authorized for various State facilities. An amount of \$59,000,000 was allocated to construct or rehabilitate facilities for the mentally retarded in concert with the federal program for Intermediate Care Facilities/Mentally Retarded (ICF/MR) and the construction or rehabilitation of mental health facilities. An amount of \$30,000,000 was allocated for correctional facilities. In addition, \$6,500,000 was allocated for a library for the blind and handicapped and \$4,500,000 was allocated for a forensic laboratory for the State Medical Examiner.

**State Land Acquisition and Development Bonds --- 1978**

An amount of \$200,000,000 was authorized for State and local acquisition and development of open space and recreation areas. Half of the amount authorized is allocated to urban areas.

**Transportation Rehabilitation and Improvement Bonds --- 1979**

An amount of \$475,000,000 was authorized to improve State highways, county and municipal roads and public transportation facilities.

**Public Purpose Buildings Construction Bonds --- 1980**

An amount of \$159,000,000 was authorized for the construction, equipping, and/or the demolition of public buildings. An amount of \$92,000,000 was allocated to the Department of Human Services for facilities for the mentally retarded, mentally ill, disabled veterans, and for a loan guarantee program for the construction of nursing homes. The Department of Corrections was allocated \$67,000,000 for its facilities.

**Natural Resources Bonds --- 1980**

An amount of \$145,000,000 was authorized for development, acquisition, and construction of resource recovery facilities, sewage treatment facilities, water supply facilities, dam restoration projects, and harbor cleanup. An amount of \$50,000,000 was allocated for resource recovery, \$60,000,000 for sewage treatment, \$12,000,000 for harbor cleanup, \$15,000,000 for dam restoration and \$8,000,000 for water supply.

**Energy Conservation Bonds --- 1980**

An amount of \$50,000,000 was authorized for energy audits and renovation of public buildings to reduce energy consumption.

**Water Supply Bonds --- 1981**

An amount of \$350,000,000 was authorized for State or local projects to rehabilitate, repair or consolidate antiquated, damaged or inadequately operating water supply facilities and to plan, design, acquire and construct various State water supply facilities.

**Hazardous Discharge Bonds --- 1981**

An amount of \$100,000,000 was authorized for the identification, cleanup and removal of hazardous discharges.

**Farmland Preservation Bonds --- 1981**

An amount of \$50,000,000 was authorized for the purchase of development easements on farmland and to provide State matching funds for soil and water conservation projects.

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**Community Development Bonds --- 1982**

An amount of \$85,000,000 was authorized to capitalize the New Jersey Local Development Financing Fund and to provide support for revitalization, development and creation of urban industrial parks.

**New Jersey Green Acres Bonds --- 1983**

An amount of \$135,000,000 was authorized for State and local acquisition and development to conserve open space and provide recreation areas. An amount of \$52,000,000 was allocated for State acquisition and development and \$83,000,000 was allocated for loans to local governments.

**Shore Protection Bonds --- 1983**

An amount of \$50,000,000 was authorized for restoration, maintenance and protection of beaches and harbors.

**Jobs, Science and Technology Bonds --- 1984**

An amount of \$90,000,000 was authorized for the construction and improvement of technical and engineering facilities and for high technology job training and retraining programs at public and private institutions of higher education. The New Jersey Commission on Science and Technology was allocated \$57,000,000 for the establishment and construction of advanced technology centers. The Department of Higher Education was allocated \$23,000,000 for the construction of undergraduate facilities and \$10,000,000 for engineering programs and for Computer Assisted Design and Computer Assisted Manufacturing Centers.

**New Jersey Human Services Facilities Construction Bonds --- 1984**

An amount of \$60,000,000 was authorized for the planning, construction, acquisition, improvement, development and equipping of Human Service's facilities and for community programs.

**Refunding Bonds --- 1985**

Bonds authorized by the Legislature to refinance existing general obligations bonds at more favorable interest rates. Refunding bonds do not need voter approval.

**Pinelands Infrastructure Trust Bonds --- 1985**

An amount of \$30,000,000 was authorized to provide grants and loans to local governments located in the Pinelands for infrastructure needs.

**Wastewater Treatment Bonds --- 1985**

An amount of \$190,000,000 was authorized for two major areas. An amount of \$150,000,000 was allocated for grants and loans for the construction of wastewater treatment facilities and \$40,000,000 was allocated to the New Jersey Wastewater Treatment Trust of 1985.

**Resource Recovery and Solid Waste Disposal Facility Bonds --- 1985**

An amount of \$85,000,000 was authorized to provide loans to local governments for construction of resource recovery facilities.

**Hazardous Discharge Bonds --- 1986**

An amount of \$200,000,000 was authorized for the identification, cleanup and removal of hazardous discharges.

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**Correctional Facilities Construction Bonds --- 1987**

An amount of \$198,000,000 was authorized for the planning, erection, acquisition, improvement and development of correctional facilities.

**New Jersey Green Acres Cultural Centers and Historic Preservation Bonds --- 1987**

An amount of \$ 100,000,000 was authorized for the construction and development of cultural centers and for restoration, repair and rehabilitation of historic structures. An amount of \$40,000,000 was allocated to the Department of State for State grants for cultural center development. The Department of Environmental Protection and Energy was allocated \$25,000,000 for historic preservation grants and loans and \$35,000,000 for grants and loans to local governments for Green Acres projects.

**Jobs, Education and Competitiveness Bonds --- 1988**

An amount of \$350,000,000 was authorized for the construction and renovation of classrooms, libraries, computer facilities, and a network of high technology research centers at colleges and universities. Of the total amount \$308,000,000 was designated for higher education construction and renovations. The remaining \$42,000,000 was designated to the New Jersey Commission on Science and Technology to establish and build an expanded network of advanced technology centers.

**New Jersey Open Space Preservation Bonds --- 1989**

An amount of \$300,000,000 was authorized for the purchase and development of land for recreation and conservation purposes and to provide State matching funds for soil and water conservation projects. The Department of Environmental Protection and Energy was allocated \$230,000,000 for acquisition of lands for recreational development and conservation purposes and \$20,000,000 for funding development potential transfer banks. The Department of Agriculture was allocated \$50,000,000 for the preservation of farmland for agricultural use and production.

**Public Purpose Buildings and Community-Based Facilities Construction Bonds --- 1989**

An amount of \$125,000,000 was authorized for the purchase, construction, and renovation of public buildings. An amount of \$90,000,000 was allocated to the Department of Human Services for facilities for the mentally ill and developmentally disabled. The Department of Corrections was allocated \$35,000,000 for the construction of correctional facilities.

**Stormwater Management and Combined Sewer Overflow Abatement Bonds --- 1989**

An amount of \$50,000,000 was authorized for providing grants and low interest loans to local governments for the costs of projects to manage stormwater and abate sewer overflows into the State's waters and other improper connections of stormwater and sewer systems.

**New Jersey Bridge Rehabilitation and Improvement and Railroad Right-Of-Way Preservation Bonds --- 1989**

An amount of \$115,000,000 was authorized for the rehabilitation and improvement of bridges and the preservation and acquisition of railroad rights-of-way. An amount of \$45,000,000 was designated for the rehabilitation of State bridges, \$45,000,000 was designated for county and municipal bridges, and \$25,000,000 was designated for the preservation and acquisition of railroad rights-of-way.

**Green Acres, Clean Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation Bonds --- 1992**

A total amount of \$345,000,000 was authorized of which the Department of Environmental Protection and Energy was authorized \$200,000,000 for acquisition and development of lands for recreation and conservation purposes, \$25,000,000 for historic preservation projects, \$20,000,000 for dam restoration and inland waters projects, and \$50,000,000 for financing wastewater treatment projects. The

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Department of Agriculture was provided \$50,000,000 for the preservation of farmland for agricultural use and production.

**Developmental Disabilities Waiting List Reduction and Human Services Facilities Construction Bonds -- 1994**

The Department of Human Services was authorized \$160,000,000 for institutional and community projects for clients served by the Department of Human Services, including clients of the Division of Developmental Disabilities. Of this amount \$130,000,000 was allocated for renovations of existing community-based facilities and expansion and creation of new community-based facilities. An amount of \$30,000,000 was allocated for necessary capital improvements at the various institutions of the Department of Human Services.

**Green Acres, Farmland and Historic Preservation, and Blue Acres Bonds --- 1995**

A total of \$340,000,000 was authorized of which the Department of Environmental Protection was allocated \$250,000,000 for acquisition and development of lands for recreation and conservation purposes and to provide matching funds for recreation and conservation projects, \$10,000,000 for historic preservation projects, \$15,000,000 for the acquisition of coastal areas prone to storm damage, and \$15,000,000 to purchase lands in the floodway of the Passaic River. The Department of Agriculture was allocated \$50,000,000 for the preservation of farmland for agricultural use and production.

**Port of New Jersey Revitalization, Dredging, Environmental Cleanup, Lake Restoration, and Delaware Bay Area Economic Development Bonds --- 1996**

The Department of Environmental Protection was authorized \$300,000,000. Of this amount \$185 million was allocated for the construction of sub-aqueous pits and a containment facility for the disposal of dredged material from the New Jersey/New York port region, \$20 million for dredging navigational channels outside the port region, \$70 million for remediation of hazardous discharge sites, \$5 million for lake restoration projects, and \$20 million for financing economic development sites in the Delaware River and Bay Region.

**Urban and Rural Centers Unsafe Buildings Demolition Bonds --- 1997**

An amount of \$20,000,000 was authorized to providing loans to municipalities for the demolition and disposal of unsafe buildings in urban and rural centers.

**Statewide Transportation and Local Bridge Bonds --- 1999**

An amount of \$500,000,000 was authorized for rehabilitating and improving the State transportation system, including local bridges. Of the total amount authorized, \$250,000,000 was allocated for grants to county and municipal governments for rehabilitation and improvement of structurally deficient bridges including railroad bridges. The remaining \$250,000,000 was allocated for other transportation projects.

**Dam, Lake, Stream, and Wastewater Treatment Project Bonds—2003**

An amount of \$200,000,000 was authorized for the purpose of dam restoration and repair projects, lake dredging and restoration projects, stream cleaning and desnagging projects. Of the total authorized, \$15,000,000 was allocated to restore and repair State—owned dams, \$105,000,000 was allocated for low—interest loans to owners of private dams for dam restoration and repairs projects, \$30,000,000 was allocated for low—interest loans to owners of private lakes and streams and private lake associations for lake dredging, restoration, or stream cleaning and desnagging projects, necessary to diminish sever flooding, and \$50,000,000 was allocated for wastewater treatment system projects.