Rhode Island’s greatest economic strength is in our natural assets. Our coast, parks, open space, rivers, lakes, streams, and of course Narragansett Bay distinguish Rhode Island and make it great. The 2016 Green Economy Bond invests $35 million in protecting our lands and waters and building healthy communities.

By investing in our environment, we are:

**CREATING JOBS FOR RHODE ISLANDERS**
We create a wide range of jobs and generate millions of dollars in economic activity when we extend our network of bike paths, build new water pollution control infrastructure and clean up contaminated lands for redevelopment.

**BOLSTERING OUR TOURISM, RECREATION AND HOSPITALITY INDUSTRIES**
This investment will result in new and improved amenities that will attract visitors to Rhode Island, increasing demand for lodging, restaurants, retail, and entertainment. Improving open space and clean water infrastructure means fewer beach closures and shellfish closures and better fishing and outdoor recreation opportunities for all.

**STRENGTHENING OUR COMMUNITIES**
The 2016 Green Economy Bond will improve the quality of life in our neighborhoods and attract young job seekers and entrepreneurs by supporting thriving local food and arts communities, outdoor recreation amenities and pedestrian and bicycle-friendly transportation networks.
The Green Economy Bond is supported by:

Town of Barrington  Town of Middletown
Town of Bristol      City of Newport
Town of Charlestown  Town of North Smithfield
City of Cranston     City of Pawtucket
City of Cumberland   Town of Portsmouth
Town of East Greenwich Town of Richmond
Town of Lincoln      Town of Smithfield
Town of Little Compton City of Woonsocket

Aquidneck Island Planning Commission · Aquidneck Land Trust · Audubon Society of Rhode Island · Bike Newport
Blackstone Valley Tourism Council · Charlestown Bike Committee
Clean Water Action · Coggeshall Farm Museum · Discover Newport
East Coast Greenway Alliance · Environmental Council of Rhode Island
Groundwork Providence · Grow Smart Rhode Island
Ocean Community Chamber of Commerce · Providence-Warwick CVB
Rhode Island Land Trust Council · Rhode Island Bicycle Coalition
Rhode Island Recreation and Parks Association · Rhode Island League of Cities and Towns
Save the Bay · Southside Community Land Trust
South Kingstown Healthy Places by Design · The Nature Conservancy
Women Bike RI · Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council

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