

#### The State of New Hampshire

### DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

#### Thomas S. Burack, Commissioner

February 12, 2014

Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan and The Honorable Council State House Concord, New Hampshire 03301

#### REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Environmental Services (DES) to award grant aid funds, under the provisions of RSA 486, to the following six entities in the aggregate amount of \$2,154,379 for wastewater facility projects, effective upon Governor and Council approval. 100% General Funds.

Applicant	Vendor	Grant
	Code	Amount
Amherst, Town of	177351 B002	\$88,871
Piermont, Town of	160102 B001	\$97,308
Derry, Town of	177379 B003	\$1,544,720
Salem, Town of	177472 B001	\$188,354
Littleton, Town of	177427 B001	\$87,100
Newport, Town of	177450 B002	\$148,026

Funding is available in the account as follows:

<u>FY 2014</u>

FY 2015

After FY 2015

03-44-44-442010-1003-073-500580

\$ 236,821

\$ 206,283

\$1,711,275

Dept. of Environmental Services, State Aid Grants, Grants-Non Federal

#### **EXPLANATION**

The funds being requested are part of a wastewater state aid grant (SAG) program that provides financial assistance in the form of grants to NH communities to off-set the eligible costs of planning, engineering design, and construction costs of certain sewage disposal facilities. Over the term of the debt service, which will range from 5 to 30 years, the state will reimburse the entities for 20% to 30% of the eligible costs incurred during the design and construction of the wastewater facilities plus a proportionate share of interest on borrowing for the project. In addition, some project costs qualify for an additional 10-30% SAG ("SAG Plus") for components related to septage and sludge handling and treatment facilities.

In November 2008 funding for new state aid grants, including wastewater facility grants, was postponed as part of a cost reduction measure to address significant state revenue shortfalls. A total of 103 applications for wastewater facility grants were affected. These projects were placed on a "Delayed and Deferred" list until funding was available. Funds for Delayed and Deferred wastewater facility grants were appropriated in the state's Operating Budget for fiscal years 2014-2015. The wastewater facility grants in this request represent 6 of the Delayed and Deferred projects. Additional information regarding these projects is shown in Exhibit A.

We respectfully request your approval.

Thomas S. Burack Commissioner

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# DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES WATER DIVISION – WASTEWATER ENGINEERING BUREAU

# STATE AID GRANTS (03-44-44-442010-1003-073)

The effect of this request on appropriated funds is shown below:

Fiscal Ye	ar	<u>2014</u>
Appropria Less: Sch	ntion eduled Payments Balance Available	\$7,523,938 \$3,091,196 \$4,432,742
Less: Pre	vious Requests	\$920,174
Less: Cu	rrent Request	
C-798	Amherst - Baboosic Lake Ph II: Community Wastewater System	\$24,196
C-799	Piermont - WWTF Upgrade	\$13,643
C-800	Derry - Wastewater Effluent Force Main Upgrade, Contracts 1 & 2	\$127,723
C-801	Salem - Elmwood & Marsh Area Sewer Extension	\$37,671
C-802	Littleton - Badger Street & Kelly Lane Sanitary Sewer Replacement	\$17,420
C-803	Newport - Guild Pump Station Project	\$16,168
	Total	<u>\$236,821</u>
	Balance Available	\$3,275,747

#### **EXHIBIT A**

Supplemental information to the preceding Governor and Executive Council request for approval of State Aid Grants for sewage disposal facilities under RSA 486.

Municipality: Amherst, NH

State Grant Number: C-798

Project: Baboosic Lake Phase II Community Wastewater System

Description: Design and construction of municipal subsurface wastewater treatment facility and sewering for the

Phase II Baboosic Lake area.

**Grant Eligible Project Costs: \$296,236** 

Grant Award: 30% of eligible costs (\$88,871)

Grant Term: 15 years

**Application Received: 12/12/2008** 

## Municipality: Piermont, NH

**State Grant Number: C-799** 

Project: Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade

**Description:** Design and construction project to abandon the existing sand filters and the effluent surface water discharge to Eastman Brook and to dispose of the wastewater via an upgraded subsurface disposal system.

**Grant Eligible Project Costs:** \$324,361

Grant Award: 30% of eligible costs (\$97,308)

Grant Term: 30 years

**Application Received: 2/13/2009** 

# Municipality: Derry, NH

State Grant Number: C-800

Project: Wastewater Effluent Force Main Upgrade Contracts 1 & 2

**Description:** Contract 1 - Design and construction of improvements to the effluent pumping station including new transformer and gravity sewer from the Town of Litchfield. Contract 2 - Replacement of 2000 linear feet of force main on Londonderry Road and 2000 linear feet of gravity sewer on Corning Road.

**Grant Eligible Project Costs: \$7,723,599** 

Grant Award: 20% of eligible costs (\$1,544,720)

Grant Term: 20 years

**Application Received: 3/4/2009** 

Municipality: Salem, NH

State Grant Number: C-801

Project: Elmwood & Marsh Area Sewer Extension

Description: Design and construction of replacement and extension of sanitary sewers on Marsh, Bodwell,

Elmwood, and Magnolia Avenue.

**Grant Eligible Project Costs: \$941,772** 

Grant Award: 20% of eligible costs (\$188,354)

Grant Term: 5 years

**Application Received: 3/12/2009** 

Municipality: Littleton, NH

State Grant Number: C-802

Project: Badger Street & Kelly Lane Sanitary Sewer Replacement

Description: Design and replacement of sanitary sewers on Badger Street and Kelly Lane.

**Grant Eligible Project Costs: \$435,501** 

Grant Award: 20% of eligible costs (\$87,100)

Grant Term: 5 years

**Application Received**: 4/13/2009

# Municipality: Newport, NH

State Grant Number: C-803

**Project:** Guild Pump Station

Description: Design and construction of new submersible pump station to replace obsolete ejector station on

Guild Street.

**Grant Eligible Project Costs:** \$493,419

Grant Award: 20% of eligible costs (\$148,026)

Grant Term: 10 years

**Application Received:** 6/11/2009