



The State of New Hampshire
Department of Environmental Services

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Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

May 14, 2020

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and The Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Environmental Services (NHDES), under the provisions of RSA 486, to award state aid grant funds for wastewater facility projects for the following three entities in the aggregate amount of \$2,049,723, as detailed in the table below, effective upon Governor and Council approval. Funding is 100% General Funds.

Applicant	Vendor Code	Grant Amount
Town of Colebrook	177375 B002	\$356,545.00
North Conway Water Precinct	154445 B001	\$1,031,655.00
Town of Epping	177517 B003	\$661,523.00

Funding is available in the account as follows:

	<u>FY 2020</u>	<u>FY 2021</u>	<u>After FY 2021</u>
03-44-44-442010-1003-073-500580	\$97,516	\$105,301	\$1,846,906
Dept. of Environmental Services, State Aid Grants, Grants-Non Federal			

EXPLANATION

Wastewater state aid grant (SAG) funds provide financial assistance to NH communities to offset the eligible costs of planning, engineering and construction 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 entity 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.

The operating budget for fiscal year 2020 included an appropriation for approximately 70 new grants for projects completed by December 31, 2019.

Attached is a tabulation of the State Aid Grant showing the effect of this action on appropriated funds. Additional information regarding these projects is shown in Exhibit A.

We respectfully request your approval.


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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:

	<u>2020</u>
FY 2020 Appropriation	\$9,576,700
Less: Scheduled Payments	<u>\$6,051,786</u>
Balance Available for FY 20 Grants	\$3,524,914
Less: FY 20 Grants Awarded to Date	\$2,513,180
Less: Current Request	
C-934 Colebrook	\$6,603
C-935 NCWP	\$57,841
C-936 Epping	\$33,072
Total	\$97,516
Balance Available	\$914,218

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: Colebrook, NH

State Grant Number: C-934

Project: Main Street Sewer Improvements

Description: Replacement and upgrade of 2,700 feet of existing sewers on Main Street and immediate side streets.

Grant Eligible Project Costs: \$1,188,481

Grant Award: 20% of eligible costs (\$356,545)

Grant Term: 28 years

Municipality: North Conway Water Precinct, NH

State Grant Number: C-935

Project: Septage Receiving, Dewatering and Odor Control Upgrades

Description: Replacement and upgrade of the sludge dewatering system to a slow rotating screw press system, an upgrade of the existing septage receiving facility to allow additional treatment and storage capability, and the design and installation of new odor control systems.

SAG Eligible Project Costs: \$2,577,783

SAG Plus Eligible Project Costs: \$1,843,209

Grant Award: TOTAL:	\$1,031,655
SAG:	20% of eligible costs (\$515,557)
SAG Plus:	28% of eligible costs (\$516,098)

Grant Term: 20 years

EXHIBIT A (Cont.)

Municipality: Epping, NH

State Grant Number: C-936

Project: Short Term Wastewater Treatment Facility Improvements Phase I

Description: Construction of a new septage receiving and dewatering facility and upgrades to existing headworks building.

Grant Eligible Project Costs: \$3,307,616

Grant Award: 20% of eligible costs (\$661,523)

Grant Term: 20 years