



The State of New Hampshire  
**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**



**Thomas S. Burack, Commissioner**

August 21, 2013

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 149-M, to the following two municipalities, totaling \$44,804 for the closure of Unlined Municipal Landfills in New Hampshire, effective upon Governor and Council approval. 100% General Funds.

<b>Municipality Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Vendor Number</b>	<b>Grant Amount</b>
Town of Marlow	Marlow, NH	159902 B001	\$8,956
Town of Whitefield	Whitefield, NH	177499 B002	\$35,848

Funding is available in the account as follows:

	<u>FY 2014</u>
03-44-44-444440-5402-073-500580	\$44,804
Dept. of Environmental Services, Solid Waste Program, Grants-Non Federal	

**EXPLANATION**

The grants being requested are part of an unlined landfill closure grant program that provides a 20% reimbursement of eligible spent costs to aid municipalities in closing their landfills. Eligible costs consist of hydrogeological, engineering design, and construction elements. The state will reimburse the Towns of Marlow and Whitefield for 20% of the eligible costs incurred during the closure of their respective landfills.

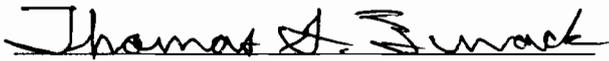
In November 2008, funding for new state aid grants, including landfill closure grants, was eliminated as part of a cost reduction package to address significant state revenue shortfalls. All applications that were submitted and had not yet been approved by Governor and Executive Council or were submitted after November 2008 were placed on a list, which was referred to as the "Delayed and Deferred List." There were 8 landfill closure projects on the list. The landfill closure projects on this request are two of those projects.

The Town of Marlow applied for a landfill closure grant in the amount of \$8,956. The Town of Marlow has spent \$44,779 on the closure project, of which \$44,779 constitutes eligible costs for determining the amount of grant reimbursement. Applying the 20% reimbursement rate, the Town of Marlow is eligible to receive the full amount requested, or \$8,956, which will be paid in a single lump sum.

The Town of Whitefield applied for a landfill closure grant in the amount of \$35,848. The Town of Whitefield has spent \$179,247 on the closure project, of which \$179,239 constitutes eligible costs for determining the amount of grant reimbursement. Applying the 20% reimbursement rate, the Town of Whitefield is eligible to receive the full amount requested, or \$35,848, which will be paid in a single lump sum.

Additional information regarding these grant projects is shown in Exhibit A.

We respectfully request your approval.

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Thomas S. Burack  
Commissioner

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  
WASTE MANAGEMENT DIVISION

LANDFILL CLOSURE GRANTS  
(03-44-44-444440-5402-073)

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

Fiscal Year	<u>2014</u>
Appropriation	\$1,137,106
Payments made to date	\$356,167
Scheduled Payments Remaining	<u>\$479,422</u>
Balance Available	\$301,517
Less: Payments on this request:	
L-149 Marlow Municipal Landfill	\$8,956
L-148 Whitefield Municipal Landfill	<u>\$35,848</u>
Balance Available	\$256,713

## EXHIBIT A

Supplemental information to the preceding Governor and Executive Council request for approval of State Aid Grants for landfill closure under RSA 149-M.

**Facility Name:** Marlow Unlined Municipal Landfill

**State Grant Number:** L-149

**Project:** Closure of the Town of Marlow's Unlined Municipal Landfill located on Old Forest Road in Marlow, NH. (Permit #NONE, Site #199103022)

**Description:** Town of Marlow's hydrogeological costs to close the Marlow Unlined Municipal Landfill. This project qualifies for exemption from formal closure under RSA 149-M:9, XIII.

**Marlow's Total Project Cost:** \$44,779

**Marlow's Grant Eligible Project Costs:** \$44,779

**Completed:** Spring 2009

**Grant Award:** \$8,956

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**Facility Name:** Whitefield Unlined Municipal Landfill

**State Grant Number:** L-148

**Project:** Closure of the Town of Whitefield's Unlined Municipal Landfill located on Hazen Road in Whitefield, NH. (Permit #DES-SW-TP-94-041, Site #199102009)

**Description:** Town of Whitefield's costs to close the Whitefield Unlined Municipal Landfill.

**Whitefield's Total Project Cost:** \$179,247

**Whitefield's Grant Eligible Project Costs:** \$179,239

**Completed:** Summer 2008

**Grant Award:** \$35,848