



The State of New Hampshire
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



Thomas S. Burack, Commissioner

April 9, 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 three entities in the aggregate amount of \$1,885,166 for wastewater facility projects, effective upon Governor and Council approval. 100% General Funds.

Applicant	Vendor Code	Grant Amount
Hudson, Town of	177415 B001	\$97,085
Tilton, Town of	177488 B002	\$879,070
Concord, City of	177376 B001	\$909,011

Funding is available in the account as follows:

	<u>FY 2014</u>	<u>FY 2015</u>	<u>After FY 2015</u>
03-44-44-442010-1003-073-500580	\$155,366	\$112,379	\$1,617,420
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 4 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

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 Year		<u>2014</u>
Appropriation		\$7,523,938
Less: Scheduled Payments		<u>\$3,091,196</u>
Balance Available		\$4,432,742
Less: Previous Requests		\$2,874,634
Less: Concurrent (4/23/14) Request		\$37,089
Less: Current Request		
C-841	Hudson - Ottarnic Pond Sewer Installation	\$19,417
C-842	Tilton - Lochmere Village Project	\$72,391
C-843	Concord - Hall St. WWTP Biotower Refurbishment	\$20,923
C-844	Concord - Hall St. WWTP Control Building Odor Mitigation Facilit	<u>\$42,635</u>
		\$63,558
	Total	<u>\$155,366</u>
	Balance Available	\$1,365,653

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: Hudson, NH

State Grant Number: C-840

Project: Ottarnic Pond Sewer Installation

Description: Construction of new sewers to replace marginal and failing septic systems surrounding Ottarnic Pond in the Town of Hudson.

Grant Eligible Project Costs: \$485,424

Grant Award: 20% of eligible costs (\$97,085)

Grant Term: 5 years

Application Received: 10/26/2009

EXHIBIT A (Cont.)

Municipality: Tilton, NH

State Grant Number: C-841

Project: Lochmere Village Project

Description: Design and construction of eight and ten-inch sewers, wastewater pumping stations, four-inch force mains, building services and appurtenances in the Lochmere Village area of Tilton along the shore of Lake Winnisquam.

Grant Eligible Project Costs: \$4,395,350

Grant Award: 20% of eligible costs (\$879,070)

Grant Term: 27 years

Application Received: 3/9/2010

EXHIBIT A (Cont.)

Municipality: Concord, NH

State Grant Number: C-842

Project: Hall Street Wastewater Treatment Facility Biotower Refurbishment

Description: Design and construction for refurbishment of the Hall Street wastewater treatment facility biotower to include removal of redwood media and replacement with plastic media and new wastewater distribution system.

Grant Eligible Project Costs: \$1,636,987

Grant Award: 20% of eligible costs (\$327,398)

Grant Term: 20 years

Application Received: 4/2/2012

State Grant Number: C-843

Project: Hall Street Wastewater Treatment Facility Control Building Odor Mitigation Facility

Description: Study, design and construction for odor control measures at the Hall Street wastewater treatment facility.

Grant Eligible Project Costs: \$496,960

Grant Award: 20% of eligible costs (\$581,613)

Grant Term: 20 years

Application Received: 4/20/2012

Total Grant Award - Concord, NH: \$909,011