



The State of New Hampshire  
**Department of Environmental Services**

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Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

May 24, 2022

The Honorable Karen Umberger, Chairman  
Fiscal Committee of the General Court  
State House, and

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu  
and the Honorable Council  
State House  
Concord, NH 03301

**REQUESTED ACTION**

Pursuant to RSA 9:16-a, authorize the Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) to transfer funds in and among classes within an accounting unit and create new unbudgeted classes, in the amount of \$1,000 for better use of appropriated funds, effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor & Council approval through June 30, 2023. 100% Other Funds.

NHDES is requesting transfer of funding as follows:

**Ocean Planning  
03-44-44-442010-70350000  
FY2022**

<i>Class</i>	<i>Budget Category</i>	<i>Current Budget</i>	<i>Requested Action</i>	<i>Revised Budget</i>
Income				
005-407991	Private Local Funds	(\$33,969)	\$0	(\$33,969)
Expenditures				
020-500200	Current Expense	\$0	\$600	\$600
030-500302	Equipment	3,340	0	3,340
039-500188	Telecommunications	0	400	400
040-500800	Indirect Costs	2,704	0	2,704
042-500620	Additional Fringe Benefits	707	0	707
050-500109	Personal Service Temp	9,210	0	9,210
059-500117	Temp Full Time	8,000	0	8,000
060-500601	Benefits	6,658	0	6,658
066-500554	Employee Training	300	0	300
070-500705	In-State Travel	550	0	550
080-500716	Out Of State Travel	1,500	(600)	900
102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	1,000	(400)	600
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$33,969</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$33,969</b>

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### EXPLANATION

NHDES' Instream Flow Program is charged with determining the necessary streamflows for the state's designated rivers and protecting those flows. In 2022, the NHDES' Instream Flow Program proposes to begin eliminating streamflow data gaps on ten of the state's designated river segments by installing streamflow stations on these river segments. The Lamprey River Advisory Committee (LRAC) has provided NHDES a grant to upgrade two proposed streamflow stations for the designated North Branch and Pawtuckaway Rivers to near real-time streamflow stations, in order to provide more data about their watershed to the public in a timely manner. Instream Flow Program staff will install the stations and arrange for the near real-time data to be posted on the NHDES' Instream Flow webpage. Copies of the links to data from all five near real-time streamflow stations will be shared with the LRAC for posting to their own webpage. In addition, the designated Pawtuckaway and Piscassic River streamflow stations will be enrolled in the CrowdHydrology citizen science program.

NHDES is requesting to budget these additional funds as shown below:

Class 020 - *Current Expense*: This transfer will increase funds by \$600 to cover cost of galvanized steel fenceposts, U-bolts and other miscellaneous supplies for the installation of the stations.

Class 039 - *Telecommunications*: This transfer will increase funds by \$400 to cover cost of the wireless service plans for the real-time streamflow stations for 3 years.

In the event that the local grants funds are not available to complete the grant, General Funds will not be requested to support additional work.

We respectfully request your approval.

  
Robert R. Scott, Commissioner