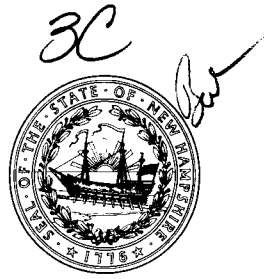




The State of New Hampshire
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Thomas S. Burack, Commissioner



January 4, 2016

Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan
And The Honorable Council
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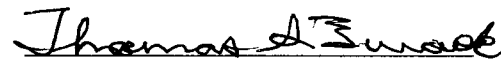
REQUESTED ACTION

Accept, under the provisions of RSA 20:7, the Department of Environmental Services' 2015 annual report.

EXPLANATION

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services is pleased to submit the Fiscal Year 2015 Annual Report for the year ended June 30, 2015, in accordance with RSA 20:7. This report details the financial and staff resources necessary to help NHDES carry out its essential and broad mission of helping sustain a high quality of life for all residents by protecting and restoring the environment and public health in New Hampshire. The report also provides a summary of the legislation that was relevant to the department during the last legislative session, as well as information regarding many of the department's accomplishments over the last fiscal year.

We respectfully request your acceptance of this report.


Thomas S. Burack
Commissioner

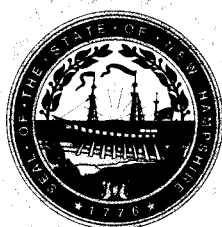
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Department of Environmental Services
2015 ANNUAL REPORT**

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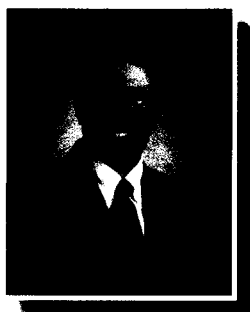
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From the Commissioner



Welcome to the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services' (NHDES) Annual Report to the Legislature for the 2015 Fiscal Year. Since 1987, NHDES has worked every day to live up to its mission to protect and restore the environment and public health in New Hampshire. This past fiscal year was no exception, as demonstrated through the numerous achievements that I am proud to describe in this 2015 Annual Report.

The fiscal year started with some outstanding news as NHDES was honored to be awarded the 2014 Secretary of Defense Employer Support Freedom Award on July 28, 2014. The Secretary of Defense Employer Support Freedom Award is the highest award given to organizations that provide exemplary support to their Guard and Reserve employees. NHDES employee and Army National Guard Staff Sgt. Steven Couture from C Company, 3rd Battalion, 238th Aviation Regiment nominated NHDES for this prestigious award in recognition of the support that the department gave him and his family during his multiple deployments. We want to thank Mr. Couture again for his service to our nation and to NHDES.

A noteworthy achievement in our site remediation program occurred in August when the Londonderry Town Garage/Radio Beacon Superfund Site was removed from the National Priorities List after a 25-year clean-up, becoming the first New Hampshire Superfund Site to be delisted, a hard fought victory for New Hampshire's environment. This action reduced the official number of Superfund sites in New Hampshire to 20.

In September of 2014, NHDES signed a landmark agreement with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service to help assess aging dams throughout New Hampshire. This effort will provide valuable information to strengthen our efforts to protect the habitats and the people of New Hampshire that rely on the structural integrity of these dams.

Additionally, over the past year NHDES continued to provide environmental education to local businesses and their employees. NHDES provides the Hazardous Waste Coordinator Certification (HWCC) Program that trains employees on how to handle the hazardous waste that they produce. In March, the NHDES HWCC Program reached an incredible milestone of 10,000 attendees over the life of the program. We are extremely proud of the HWCC program, which has been considered a model for how states can improve environmental compliance and reduce business and environmental risk through training. The HWCC Program serves as a reminder that it is the everyday commitment and dedication of NHDES staff as environmental leaders and liaisons for the New Hampshire people that made the 2015 Fiscal Year a success and that will continue to benefit New Hampshire for years to come.

To support our staff in this effort, we encourage them to seek out continuing education opportunities. One such opportunity, the Commissioner's Speechcraft program helps improve public speaking and communication skills. NHDES was recognized and awarded the Corporate Recognition Award from Toastmaster's International in May. The Commissioner's Speechcraft program is in its fifth year of operation, and is offered on a quarterly basis. I am proud to report that over one hundred NHDES staff have graduated from the program.

While I hope you find the 2015 Annual Report informative, the following pages only scratch the surface of the great work that NHDES is doing with the help of our many partners and stakeholders. To delve deeper into what NHDES is doing to better improve the New Hampshire environment, communities and, consequently, the safety and quality of life for New Hampshire citizens, I encourage you to visit our website at www.des.nh.gov.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas S. Burack".

Thomas S. Burack
Commissioner

Mission & 2010-2015 Strategic Goals

MISSION

The mission of the Department of Environmental Services is to help sustain a high quality of life for all citizens by protecting and restoring the environment and public health in New Hampshire.

2010-2015 STRATEGIC GOALS

1. NHDES and its partners address climate change through effective mitigation and adaptation strategies and efforts to foster the transition to a clean energy economy.
2. NHDES and its partners effectively protect New Hampshire's natural resources and high quality of life as the state grows.
3. NHDES employs integrated pre-application, permitting, inspections, and enforcement approaches across all of its programs, and operates in a cooperative and integrated manner with its sister local, regional, state, and federal agencies.
4. New Hampshire's environment has improved, and NHDES regularly reports environmental results in an understandable and transparent manner.
5. Environmental compliance is high in New Hampshire, supported by education, partnerships, environmental stewardship, and enforcement.
6. NHDES provides high-quality customer service.
7. NHDES is one of the most desirable employers in state government.

JULY

Grant Funding Available to Protect Drinking Water Supply Lands

AUGUST

NHDES is Awarded the 2014 Secretary of Defense Employer Support Freedom Award

SEPTEMBER

Londonderry Superfund Site Officially De-Listed from National Priorities List (NPL)

Commissioner Burack Receives ECOS President's Award

NHDES Announces Brownfields Assessment Grants Competition

NHDES Signs Landmark Agreement with USDA NRCS

FY2015: Year in Review

JULY

Grant Funding Available to Protect Drinking Water Supply Lands in the Southern I-93 Corridor and Lake Massabesic Watershed. On July 14, NHDES announced that \$2.2 million would become available in the fall for grants to protect drinking water supply lands in the southern I-93 corridor communities of Salem, Windham, Derry, Londonderry and Manchester and in the Lake Massabesic Watershed, which includes portions of Auburn, Hooksett, Candia and Chester. NHDES completed an agreement for this grant funding program with NH DOT that designated NHDES's Water Supply Land Protection Grant Program to administer the grants program.

NHDES is Awarded the 2014 Secretary of Defense Employer Support Freedom Award. On July 28, NHDES became one of only 15 organizations that received this prestigious award from the Department of Defense. The Secretary of Defense Employer Support Freedom Award is the highest award given to organizations that provide exemplary support to their Guard and Reserve employees. NHDES employee and Army National Guard Staff Sgt. Steven Couture from C Company, 3rd Battalion, 238th Aviation Regiment nominated NHDES for this prestigious award in recognition of NHDES' continued support and care for Steve and his family during his deployments. NHDES received the Secretary of Defense Employer Support Freedom Award at the Pentagon on September 26.

AUGUST

Londonderry Superfund Site Clean-Up Completed. In August 2014, the Londonderry Town Garage/Radio Beacon Superfund site was delisted from the National Priorities List (NPL), becoming the first NH Superfund site to be delisted. The site was put on the NPL in March 1989 and a Final Site Inspection was completed by NHDES in January of 2014.

SEPTEMBER

Commissioner Burack Receives ECOS President's Award. Commissioner Tom Burack received the 2014 Environment Council of the States (ECOS) President's Award in September for his visionary work in strengthening ECOS's relationship with the EPA and for his commitment to the environmental field. ECOS is a national non-profit, non-partisan association that assists state environmental agencies in improving the nation's environment and the health of its citizens.

NHDES Announces Brownfields Assessment Grant Competition. To help cities and towns conduct assessment work on contaminated properties, the NHDES Brownfields Program made \$200,000 in grant money available to fund the assessments. Interested municipalities and other entities that submit an application could be eligible to receive an Assessment Grant of up to \$100,000 per proposed project.

NHDES Signs Landmark Agreement with USDA NRCS. On September 2, NHDES signed an agreement with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

NHDES Coastal Program Begins accepting Requests for Coastal Resilience Technical Assistance Funding

State Announces 2014 Drawdown of Lakes

NH Pollution Prevention Program Releases Updated Green Business Handbook

NHDES hosts three alternative fuel events within three weeks

NHDES Awards Three Salt Shaker Awards

(NRCS) to begin assessing the existing integrity of aging dams throughout New Hampshire. The agreement was made possible due to \$369,000 in federal Watershed Rehabilitation Program funding. As a result of the extensive funding, 18 dam sites in New Hampshire will be assessed for safety by the NHDES Dam Bureau, and a work plan and environmental assessment will be completed for the Baker River Watershed Site 8 Dam.

NHDES Coastal Program Begins Accepting Requests for Coastal Resilience Technical Assistance Funding.

NHDES set aside a total of \$200,000 to help New Hampshire coastal communities recover from challenging coastal storm damage. Municipalities, non-governmental organizations, state agencies, regional planning commissions and academic institutions in one or more of New Hampshire's 17 coastal zone communities were eligible for this funding.

State Announces 2014 Fall Drawdown of Lakes. NHDES controls dams on lakes and ponds throughout the state. Each fall, NHDES conducts a drawdown of lakes to help reduce winter ice damage to shoreline properties and to reduce spring flooding. Lake drawdowns are also beneficial to shoreline property owners as the drawdown gives them the chance to make repairs (if permitted by the NHDES Wetlands Bureau) on their property inaccessible prior to the drawdown.

New Hampshire Celebrates "Protect Your Groundwater Day." On September 9, NHDES joined with the National Ground Water Association (NGWA) to make New Hampshire citizens more aware of the importance of protecting groundwater. Three out of five New Hampshire resident's drinking water source comes from groundwater, making Protect Your Groundwater Day an important time for residents to recognize their role in groundwater preservation, and encouraging a habit of practices that help to avoid groundwater contamination.

New Hampshire Pollution Prevention Program Releases Updated Green Business Handbook. To celebrate the beginning of Pollution Prevention Week (September 15-21), the New Hampshire Pollution Prevention Program released an updated version of its publication, *Making your Business Greener Workbook*. This workbook is an award-winning publication that was updated to better assist businesses in waste reduction opportunities, to provide links to informational websites and to reduce business costs.

New Hampshire Celebrates National Drive Electric Week. On September 20, New Hampshire celebrated the 3rd annual National Drive Electric Week to promote awareness on the environmental benefits of electric cars, charging stations and inverters.

NHDES Hosts Three Alternative Fuel Vehicle Events. To educate the public on propane, natural gas, and biodiesel alternative fuel vehicles, NHDES held three alternative fuel vehicle events within three weeks, with the first event on September 30. The events were free, open to the public and were all held at NHDES in Concord.

OCTOBER

NHDES Received a Report Prepared by Researchers at Dartmouth College regarding the Health Impacts of Arsenic in Drinking Water from Private Wells in New Hampshire. The report concluded that hundreds of cases of lung, bladder or skin cancer could be avoided in New Hampshire by convincing private well users to test and treat their drinking water to remove naturally occurring arsenic.

NHDES Awards Three Salt Shaker Awards. At the first New Hampshire Salt Symposium on October 22 in Windham, NH, NHDES awarded three Salt Shaker Awards to professionals in the snow and ice removal business who made exemplary contributions to the salt

NOVEMBER

Soak Up the Rain New Hampshire Completes Successful Field Season

applicator industry and contributed to salt-use reduction. The Symposium was attended by over 100 snow-plow and deicing contractors.

NHDES Held Free Pollution Prevention Seminar for NH Businesses. On October 28 at the Manchester Health Department, NHDES and the City of Manchester held a free seminar for local New Hampshire businesses. The goal of the seminar was to provide practical tips on how to evaluate business operations to reduce chemical usage, encourage water and energy conservation and ultimately save New Hampshire businesses money.

NOVEMBER

Soak Up the Rain New Hampshire Completes Successful Field Season. In 2014 alone, the Soak Up the Rain New Hampshire (SOAK) program collected over 120,000 gallons of stormwater, preventing approximately 11,500 pounds of sediment, 3.2 pounds of phosphorous and 6.3 pounds of nitrogen from reaching New Hampshire water bodies. SOAK worked with many different organizations this season to help educate the public on what they can do to prevent stormwater runoff and thus help avoid pollution of water bodies in their communities. In addition, the SOAK program received a grant from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to assist the program in achieving its goals.

DECEMBER

40th Anniversary Milestone of the Federal Safe Drinking Water Act. New Hampshire began implementing the Safe Water Drinking Act (SWDA) in 1976, but had been implementing measures to ensure safe water from as early as 1946. On December 16, NHDES and New Hampshire water suppliers celebrated the advancements that have been made in the effort to pro-

DECEMBER

NHDES Awards Wetlands Protection Grants for Ten Projects

vide all New Hampshire citizens with safe, clean drinking water, and also renewed their commitment to the SWDA.

NHDES Awards Wetlands Protection Grants. Ten projects were selected by NHDES to receive grants totaling \$1,077,943. The funding comes from the NHDES Aquatic Resource Mitigation (ARM) Fund, which is used as a mitigation option for projects that impact wetlands and do not have any other means of mitigation.

NHDES Operation Santa Claus Team Holds Annual Drive. Every year, the DES Operation Santa Claus Team works hard to assist needy families during the holiday season and beyond. NHDES was able to raise \$3,173 from basket raffles, a bake sale, 50/50 raffles and the annual Chili Bowl contest. These efforts and other donations helped NHDES to provide 81 needy children with Christmas presents.

NHDES Holds Food Drive. During the December 2014 food drive, NHDES collected 1,077 items and \$299 to donate to the Capital Region Food Program.

NHDES Leads New Hampshire Silver Jackets. The Silver Jackets is an Army Corps of Engineers program to connect communities with agencies that can help to reduce flood risks and assist communities during flood recovery. The New Hampshire Silver Jackets is a partnership of 12 state and federal agencies, formalized in December 2014, and is an outgrowth of the Post-Irene River Response Team, formed in response to Tropical Storm Irene. The leadership for the New Hampshire Silver Jackets is provided by the Flood and Geologic Hazards Program in the New Hampshire Geological Survey at NHDES.

JANUARY

NHDES Staff Awarded by EPA. On January 28, NHDES Septage Coordinator Ray Gordon received the "2014

JANUARY

NHDES Septage Coordinator Ray Gordon Receives EPA Award

NHDES Receives Award for WBRP from NEWEA

FEBRUARY

Subsurface Systems e-Permitting System Launched

Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant Trainer of the Year Excellence Award" from the U.S. EPA. Gordon was also recognized for his work in overseeing the Fat, Oil, and Grease (FOG) program at NHDES and for his continued commitment to the wastewater field.

Winnepesaukee River Basin Program (WRBP) Awarded 2015 George W. Burke, Jr. Safety Award from New England Water Environment Association. WRBP is the State-owned wastewater treatment system that serves some of New Hampshire's lake region communities. NHDES runs the wastewater collection and treatment facilities of WRBP and was awarded the George W. Burke, Jr. Safety Award for a clearly documented safety program and a clean safety record during the preceding calendar year.

FEBRUARY

NHDES Launches the Subsurface Systems e-Permitting System. NHDES is always looking for new ways to better assist New Hampshire communities. In February, NHDES unveiled the Subsurface Systems e-Permitting System for New Hampshire licensed septic system designers and installers. The online permitting system allows licensed professionals to have convenient access for approvals, online payment of application fees and ability to monitor the status of their applications.

NHDES Improves and Reestablishes General State Permit Requirements. The General State Permit (GSP) for Emergency Generators is required for the owners and operators of emergency generators or fire pumps. To improve the GSP, NHDES has eliminated the requirement to submit an annual report and has changed the emission-based fee from an annual fee to a once-every-5-years registration fee. The new GSP requirements should make the permitting process much easier for those who participate.

MARCH

NHDES Improves and Reestablishes GSP Requirements

NHDES Announces EV Charging Equipment Rebates

HWCC Training Reaches 10,000 Attendees

Coastal NH Online Mapping Tool Launched

MARCH

NHDES Celebrates Groundwater Awareness Week.

From March 8-14, NHDES celebrated National Groundwater Awareness Week. NHDES advised NH residents to have an annual checkup of their wells during the early spring after the snow melts to ensure that they are receiving quality water and avoiding costly emergency maintenance.

NHDES Announces Electric Vehicle Charging Equipment Rebates. NHDES teamed up with the Granite State Clean Cities Coalition to be able to provide beneficial rebates for the installation of electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE). Plug-in electric vehicles (EVs) reduce greenhouse gas emissions by obtaining energy from our electric supply instead of through fossil fuels that are damaging to the quality of our air. Through the Electric Vehicle Charging Equipment Rebates, more EVSE will be installed throughout New Hampshire for the convenience of EV owners.

NHDES Hazardous Waste Program Achieves Milestone. The NHDES Hazardous Waste Coordinator Certification (HWCC) Program reached 10,000 attendees as of its March 18 training event. This innovative compliance program has been training employees from hazardous-waste-generating companies since 2003.

NHDES Launches New Coastal NH Online Mapping Tool. This new tool improves access to important coastal information and maps, and results from a collaboration of NHDES with the University of New Hampshire GRANIT System and other partners to create an online tool that makes numerous coastal resources accessible to the public at the click of a button. The tool includes over 150 spatial data sets and provides the public with the ability to make and share their own customized maps. <http://www.granit.unh.edu/nhcoastalviewer/>

APRIL

MAY

NHDES Staff Recognized during 2015 EPA Environmental Merit Awards

NHDES Receives Corporate Recognition Award from Toastmasters International

NHDES Presents Two Awards at Drinking Water Source Protection Conference

APRIL

Soak Up the Rain New Hampshire Adds New Training Opportunity. On April 8 and 9, Soak Up the Rain New Hampshire (SOAK) held a new training opportunity for landscapers that highlighted the importance of reducing nutrient use on lawns and landscapes and provided education on different projects that could be implemented to minimize the environmental impact of stormwater.

NHDES Staff Recognized by EPA with 2015 Environmental Merit Awards. On April 22, the EPA hosted its annual Region 1 Environmental Merit Awards event, at which winners from New Hampshire were recognized for their exceptional work in, and devotion to, the environmental field. Several of the winners were from NHDES, including Sarah Pillsbury, Brandon Kernen, and Stephen Roy all from the Drinking Water and Groundwater Bureau; Sherry Godlewski from Air Resources and Lori Sommer from the Wetlands Bureau.

New Hampshire Celebrates Air Quality Awareness Week. Air Quality Awareness Week began on April 27 and ended on May 1st. NHDES encourages New Hampshire residents to be “air aware,” particularly when spending more time outside during the spring and summer months. Additionally, NHDES advises residents to visit its website to browse daily air quality forecasts. During Air Quality Awareness Week, NHDES encouraged New Hampshire to think about how citizens contribute to air pollution and who might be more sensitive to air pollution due to their existing health conditions.

NHDES Requires Criminal Background Checks for Youth Skill Program Staff. NHDES began implementation of a new state law that requires any adults working with children in skill programs of three days or more to have a criminal background check. Camp directors must report to NHDES annually to ensure that such background checks are taking place, and must then be

certified by NHDES for an annual \$25 fee.

MAY

NHDES Receives Award from Toastmaster’s International. On May 14, NHDES received the prestigious Corporate Recognition Award from Toastmaster’s International, presented by Mike Storkey, 1st Vice President of Toastmaster’s International. NHDES has worked with Toastmaster’s International for the past five years to help improve NHDES staff public speaking and communication skills to create an organization of effective and valuable department ambassadors. NHDES’ program is called the Commissioner’s Speechcraft program, and over one hundred NHDES employees have graduated and benefitted from the program.

NHDES Presents Awards at the Annual Drinking Water Source Protection Conference. The City of Portsmouth received NHDES’ “Source Water Sustainability” award and David Paris of Manchester Water Works received the “Source Water Protection” award. The awards were presented at the day-long Drinking Water Source Protection Conference that was attended by over 230 people.

NHDES Commissioner Burack Receives Truman Scholar Award for Public Service. On May 27th, Commissioner Thomas Burack, a 1980 Harry S. Truman Scholar, was presented the Judge Joseph Edward Stevens, Jr. Award for outstanding public service in the field of law from the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation. Burack was presented the award by U.S. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas, who then spoke to the nearly 50 recent Truman Scholars in attendance. Following the presentation of the award, Commissioner Burack also addressed the scholars.

NHDES Participates in National Dam Safety Awareness Day. On March 31, NHDES participated in the annual National Dam Safety Awareness Day encouraging resi-

JUNE

NHDES Staff Receive Askew Award for CPM Project

NHDES Participates in the Gulf of Maine Council on the Environment Awards Ceremony

NHDES Holds Brown Bag Lunch Drive to benefit local food pantry

dents to learn about the benefits and risks associated with dams in their area. Dams are vital to American infrastructure but can be extremely detrimental to the environment if they fail. Over 2,600 dams throughout New Hampshire help to generate power, control water supply, prevent flooding and provide wildlife habitats. However, if damaged, the dams could lead to the destruction of homes, roads, and other NH infrastructure, as well as, the loss of life. Therefore, NHDES believes it is important to make NH residents aware of the importance of dams and the benefits and risks that dams pose to NH communities.

NHDES Holds Brown Bag Lunch Drive. On an average school day, 48,027 New Hampshire students receive free or reduced-price school lunch meals, making the end of the school year a difficult time for students and their families. To help kids in need during the summer months, NHDES holds an annual summer food drive, and this year the food drive was on the theme of brown bag lunches. NHDES staff donated money as well as healthy, pre-packaged, single serve, non-perishable items that were used to make complete lunches. In total, NHDES staff donated 267 brown bag lunches and \$1,066 to the Friends of Forgotten Children organization.

JUNE

Certified Public Manager Project (CPM) Recognized with Askew Award. Tara Mae Albert, Kimmi Durgin and Laura Weit-Marcum of NHDES as well as Jenn Codispoti of the Department of Resources and Economic Development (DRED) were presented the George C. Askew Award for the completion of their CPM project titled "Integrated Online Training for NH State Government." The Askew Award is a national award that is presented to those who demonstrate exemplary effort in their CPM project during Certified Public Manager training.

NHDES Participates in the Gulf of Maine Council on the Marine Environment Awards Ceremony. This annual awards ceremony, held on June 17, recognized individuals, non-profits, municipalities and businesses for their work in coastal environmental protection in New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts and the Canadian provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. New Hampshire winners included Candace Dolan for her work to restore and protect Hodgson Brook, the Nature Conservancy's Oyster Conservationist Program for helping to restore native oysters in the Great Bay Estuary and the City of Portsmouth for its commitment to sustainability.

Summary of NHDES-Related Legislation Adopted in the 2015 New Hampshire Legislative Session

HB 201 **Chapter 85** **Effective 6/8/15**

Relative to the acquisition of property rights at Back Lake dam in the town of Pittsburg, Lake Armington dam in the town of Piermont, Cass Pond dam in the town of Epsom, and Chesham Pond dam in the town of Harrisville by the Department of Environmental Services. This bill increases the additional fee for commercial, private, and pleasure vessels. The fees collected under this subparagraph shall be paid into the lake restoration and preservation fund established under RSA 487:25.

- NHDES may accept an easement from the property owners of all rights necessary to access, repair, maintain, and operate Back Lake dam in the town of Pittsburg, Lake Armington dam in the town of Piermont, Cass Pond dam in the town of Epsom, and Chesham Pond dam in the town of Harrisville for the purpose of repairing and reconstructing such dams.

HB 664 **Chapter 142** **Sec. 3, 5, 8 & 16 Effective 12:01 AM 7/1/25**
Remainder Effective 7/1/15

Consolidating existing oil pollution funds

- Discontinues the license fees established in RSA 146-A:11-b, II if the fund's balance becomes greater than \$5,000,000, fees will be re-established when the fund's balance is 20 percent below the \$5,000,000 balance.
- Penalties and interest collected shall be deposited into the oil pollution control fund and oil discharge and disposal cleanup fund based on an allocation determined for each fiscal year by the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Services and the oil fund disbursement board.

SB 97 **Chapter 247** **Effective 9/11/15**

Authorizing municipalities to adopt ordinances to regulate stormwater to comply with federal permit requirements.

Receipts and Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2015

Income and General Fund Appropriations

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|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Federal Income | \$ 59,921,819 |
| State Revolving Fund Loan Repayments | \$ 45,882,152 |
| Oil Fund Board Income | \$ 16,690,187 |
| Fees and Registrations | \$ 23,983,845 |
| Other Agency Income | \$ 5,804,940 |
| Unrestricted Income | \$ 350,743 |
| General Fund Appropriations | <u>\$ 18,451,481</u> |
| | \$171,085,167 |

Expenditures

| | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| Salaries and Benefits | |
| Salaries | \$ 25,743,455 |
| Benefits | \$ 13,306,517 |
| State Revolving Fund Loans | \$ 55,540,892 |
| Oil Fund Board Disbursements | \$ 13,552,332 |
| State Aid Grants | \$ 8,570,427 |
| Other Grants and Contracts | \$ 7,091,502 |
| Disbursements to State Agencies | \$ 6,232,831 |
| DoIT | \$ 2,535,396 |
| General Services | \$ 1,443,038 |
| Administrative Services | \$ 1,283,186 |
| Attorney General | \$ 417,635 |
| Other Agencies | \$ 553,576 |
| Debt Service | \$ 3,741,253 |
| Current Expenses | \$ 2,533,499 |
| Other Expenditures | \$ 1,496,235 |
| Equipment | <u>\$ 616,069</u> |
| | \$138,425,012 |

Disbursements to Cities and Towns

| | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| State Revolving Fund Loans | | \$ 55,540,892 |
| Clean Water | \$ 41,037,753 | |
| Drinking Water | \$ 14,023,139 | |
| Brownfields | \$ 480,000 | |
| State Aid Grants | | \$ 8,570,427 |
| Wastewater | \$ 6,610,139 | |
| Drinking Water | \$ 1,073,438 | |
| Landfills | \$ 886,850 | |
| Other State Grants | | \$ 1,643,110 |
| Aquatic Weed Grants | \$ 510,435 | |
| Household Hazardous Waste Grants | \$ 193,371 | |
| Aquatic Resource Mitigation Grants | \$ 939,304 | |
| Total | | \$ 65,754,429 |

DES Personnel Data

| Current Number of Employees | <u>FY 2014</u> | <u>FY 2015</u> |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Unclassified | 6 | 6 |
| Classified | 471 | 471 |
| Temporary | <u>5</u> | <u>5</u> |
| Total | 482 | 482 |

DES Physical Plant & Property Appraisal

| | <u>FY 2014</u> | <u>FY 2015</u> |
|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Equipment | \$ 10,014,356 | \$ 10,987,096 |
| Motor Vehicles | 2,777,195 | 2,708,160 |
| Dams and Land | 56,841,690 | 58,783,066 |
| Buildings | <u>36,719,916</u> | <u>35,876,357</u> |
| Total | \$106,353,157 | \$108,354,679 |