



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

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**Robert R. Scott, Commissioner**

December 8, 2020

The Honorable Ken Weyler, Chairman  
 Fiscal Committee of the General Court  
 State House  
 Concord, New Hampshire 03301

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

**REQUESTED ACTION**

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a:VI, authorize the Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) to accept and expend additional federal funds in the amount of \$180,324 from the Water Infrastructure Improvement for the Nation Act (WIIN), through the Environmental Protection Agency, for assistance in drinking water lead testing in schools and childcare facilities, effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2021. 100% federal funds.

Funding is to be budgeted as follows:

**Water Planning**  
**03-44-44-442010-20470000**  
**FY2021**

Class	Budget Category	Current Budget	Requested Action	Revised Budget
<b>Income</b>				
000-404367	Federal Funds	(\$181,121)	(\$180,324)	(\$361,445)
<b>Expenditures</b>				
020-500200	Current Expense	\$3,500	\$0	\$3,500
040-500800	Indirect Costs	\$2,090	\$0	\$2,090
041-500801	Audit Fund Set Aside	\$181	\$180	\$361
042-500620	Additional Fringe Benefits	\$2,250	\$0	\$2,250
050-500109	Personnel Part Time Temp	\$0	\$27,909	\$27,909
059-500117	Salary Temporary Employees	\$30,000	\$0	\$30,000
060-500601	Benefits	\$20,000	\$2,235	\$22,235
066-501709	Employee Training	\$100	\$0	\$100
070-500705	In-State Travel	\$500	\$0	\$500
080-500716	Out Of State Travel	\$2,500	\$0	\$2,500
102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	\$120,000	\$150,000	\$270,000
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$181,121</b>	<b>\$180,324</b>	<b>\$361,445</b>

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**EXPLANATION**

Funding in the amount of \$180,324 is being provided to NHDES to promote public understanding of the health risks associated with childhood exposure to lead in drinking water and to promote compliance with 485:17-a Lead in Drinking Water in Schools and Licensed Child Care Facilities. The purpose of this request is to budget additional funds from the WIIN grant received after the closing of the previous budget cycle. At the time the FY20/21 Operating budget was prepared, NHDES did not anticipate receiving this level of funding.

NHDES is requesting authorization to accept and expend additional WIIN grant funds and to budget these funds as follows:

*Class 041 - Audit Fund Set Aside* – An increase in federal funds requires this class be increased by 1/10 of 1%.

*Class 050 - Temp Part Time* – The funds in class 050 will be used for a part-time Environmentalist IV position to assist with the implementation of the WIIN grant work plan. This position will assist with the oversight of drinking water sampling in schools and licensed childcare facilities and will assist with the laboratory, and education and outreach contracts funded through this grant.

*Class 60 - Benefits* - The increase in personnel costs requires a corresponding increase of funds in this class.

*Class 102 Contracts for Program Services* – The funds in class 102 will be used for multiple contracts under this program, including hiring a qualified public health marketing contractor specializing in multi-media education and outreach; a contract with a NH-certified drinking water laboratory to process lead in drinking water samples to be collected statewide from public K-12 schools and licensed childcares; and a contract to reimburse sample collection costs for public schools and licensed childcare facilities in disadvantaged communities.

In the event that federal funds are no longer available, general funds will not be requested to support this program.

We respectfully request your approval.

  
Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES  
WATER PLANNING  
FISCAL SITUATION FY21  
03-44-44-442010-20470000**

Total Federal Awards	\$1,284,000
Less Expenditures thru 06/30/20	\$0
Remaining Authorization to Budget	\$1,284,000
Less Current FY2021 Budget Authorization	\$181,121
Total Available for Budgeting	\$1,102,879
<b>REQUESTED ACTION</b>	<b>\$180,324</b>
Available to Budget at a later date	\$922,555

Grant Award Number	<u>Award Amount</u>	<u>Expenses to 06/30/20</u>	<u>Balance</u>
M1-00A00332	\$414,000	\$0	\$414,000
M1-00A00739	\$870,000	\$0	\$870,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,284,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,284,000</b>

	<b>U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY</b>  <b>Assistance Amendment</b>	<b>GRANT NUMBER (FAIN):</b> 00A00332 <b>MODIFICATION NUMBER:</b> 2 <b>PROGRAM CODE:</b> M1	<b>DATE OF AWARD</b> 12/16/2019
		<b>TYPE OF ACTION</b> Augmentation: Increase	<b>MAILING DATE</b> 12/23/2019
		<b>PAYMENT METHOD:</b> ASAP	<b>ACH#</b> 10108
<b>RECIPIENT TYPE:</b> State		<b>Send Payment Request to:</b> U.S. EPA RTP-Finance Center 4930 Page Road Mail Code AA216-01 Durham, NC 27703 rtpfc-grants@epa.gov	
<b>RECIPIENT:</b> New Hampshire D.E.S. 29 Hazen Drive, P.O. Box 95 Concord, NH 03302-0095 EIN: 02-6000618		<b>PAYEE:</b> New Hampshire D.E.S. 29 Hazen Drive, P.O. Box 95 Concord, NH 03302-0095	
<b>PROJECT MANAGER</b> Johnna McKenna 29 Hazen Drive, P.O. Box 95 Concord, NH 03302-0095 E-Mail: Johnna.McKenna@des.nh.gov Phone: 603-271-7017		<b>EPA PROJECT OFFICER</b> Gevon Solomon 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100, 06-2 Boston, MA 02109-3912 E-Mail: Solomon.Gevon@epa.gov Phone: 617-918-1513	
		<b>EPA GRANT SPECIALIST</b> Brian Tocci Grants Management Branch, 05-5 E-Mail: Tocci.Brian@epa.gov Phone: 617-918-1979	
<b>PROJECT TITLE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGES</b> Drinking Water Lead Testing in School and Childcare Facilities  Amendment #2 approves an Incremental Increase in Federal Funds in the amount of \$185,000. Total EPA Amount Awarded to Date is now \$414,000. All Administrative Terms and Conditions have been updated. All other Terms and Conditions remain unchanged, and in full force and effect.			
<b>BUDGET PERIOD</b> 10/01/2019 - 09/30/2021	<b>PROJECT PERIOD</b> 10/01/2019 - 09/30/2021	<b>TOTAL BUDGET PERIOD COST</b> \$414,000.00	<b>TOTAL PROJECT PERIOD COST</b> \$414,000.00
<b>NOTICE OF AWARD</b>			
Based on your Application dated 09/11/2019 including all modifications and amendments, the United States acting by and through the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hereby awards \$185,000. EPA agrees to cost-share <u>100.00%</u> of all approved budget period costs incurred, up to and not exceeding total federal funding of \$414,000. Recipient's signature is not required on this agreement. The recipient demonstrates its commitment to carry out this award by either: 1) drawing down funds within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date; or 2) not filing a notice of disagreement with the award terms and conditions within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date. If the recipient disagrees with the terms and conditions specified in this award, the authorized representative of the recipient must furnish a notice of disagreement to the EPA Award Official within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date. In case of disagreement, and until the disagreement is resolved, the recipient should not draw down on the funds provided by this award/amendment, and any costs incurred by the recipient are at its own risk. This agreement is subject to applicable EPA regulatory and statutory provisions, all terms and conditions of this agreement and any attachments.			
<b>ISSUING OFFICE (GRANTS MANAGEMENT OFFICE)</b>		<b>AWARD APPROVAL OFFICE</b>	
<b>ORGANIZATION / ADDRESS</b> EPA New England 5 Post Office Square, Suite 100 Boston, MA 02109-3912		<b>ORGANIZATION / ADDRESS</b> U.S. EPA, Region 1  5 Post Office Square, Suite 100 Boston, MA 02109-3912	
<b>THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY</b>			
Digital signature applied by EPA Award Official Arthur Johnson - Director, Mission Support Division			<b>DATE</b> 12/16/2019

	<b>U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY</b>  <b>Grant Agreement</b>	<b>GRANT NUMBER (FAIN):</b> 00A00739 <b>MODIFICATION NUMBER:</b> 0 <b>PROGRAM CODE:</b> M1	<b>DATE OF AWARD</b> 09/23/2020
		<b>TYPE OF ACTION</b> New	<b>MAILING DATE</b> 09/30/2020
		<b>PAYMENT METHOD:</b> ASAP	<b>ACH#</b> 10108
<b>RECIPIENT TYPE:</b> State	<b>Send Payment Request to:</b> U.S. EPA RTP-Finance Center 4930 Page Road Mail Code AA216-01 Durham, NC 27703 rtpfc-grants@epa.gov		
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<b>PROJECT TITLE AND DESCRIPTION</b> Fiscal Year 2020 New Hampshire Drinking Water Lead Testing in School and Child Care Facilities  This agreement is to an eligible state agency to implement a program of voluntary testing for lead in drinking water at local schools and child care centers. Specifically, the recipient will use grant funding to (1) reduce children's exposure to lead in drinking water by testing and identifying drinking water locations that require remediation; (2) target additional funding toward schools and child care programs unable to pay for sampling and testing, specifically to cities and towns with Median Household Income (MHI) below the state average; (3) apply the 3Ts model and NH's SB247 guidelines to establish best practices for a lead in drinking water prevention program; (4) foster sustainable partnerships at the state and local level to allow for more efficient use of existing resources and exchange of information among experts in various educational and health sectors; and (5) enhance community, parent, and teacher cooperation and trust.			
<b>BUDGET PERIOD</b> 10/01/2020 - 09/30/2022	<b>PROJECT PERIOD</b> 10/01/2020 - 09/30/2022	<b>TOTAL BUDGET PERIOD COST</b> \$870,000.00	<b>TOTAL PROJECT PERIOD COST</b> \$870,000.00
<b>NOTICE OF AWARD</b>			
Based on your Application dated 07/17/2020 including all modifications and amendments, the United States acting by and through the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hereby awards \$870,000. EPA agrees to cost-share 100.00% of all approved budget period costs incurred, up to and not exceeding total federal funding of \$870,000. Recipient's signature is not required on this agreement. The recipient demonstrates its commitment to carry out this award by either: 1) drawing down funds within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date; or 2) not filing a notice of disagreement with the award terms and conditions within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date. If the recipient disagrees with the terms and conditions specified in this award, the authorized representative of the recipient must furnish a notice of disagreement to the EPA Award Official within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date. In case of disagreement, and until the disagreement is resolved, the recipient should not draw down on the funds provided by this award/amendment, and any costs incurred by the recipient are at its own risk. This agreement is subject to applicable EPA regulatory and statutory provisions, all terms and conditions of this agreement and any attachments.			
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