



The State of New Hampshire
Department of Environmental Services



Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

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July 24, 2025

Her Excellency, Governor Kelly A. Ayotte
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Environmental Services to amend a grant agreement (PO# 1103387) to the Manchester Water Works (VC# 170435-B002), NH, by extending the completion date to December 31, 2027, from June 1, 2026, and by increasing the grant limitation by \$1,300,000, to \$4,300,000 from \$3,000,000, for water system improvements under the provisions of RSA 485:F, effective upon Governor and Council approval through December 31, 2027. The original grant was approved by Governor and Council on October 30, 2024, Item #80. 100% Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund (DWGTF).

Funding is available in the following account:

03-44-44-444010-7428-073-500580	<u>FY 2026</u>
Dept. Environmental Services, Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund, Grants Non-Federal	\$1,300,000

EXPLANATION

We are requesting approval of this amendment to allow Manchester Water Works (MWW) additional time to complete the scope of work and provide additional grant funds from the DWGTF. MWW will use the grant funds to increase drinking water supply and transmission capacity to Manchester and the southern NH region by increasing the storage of Lake Massabesic. The project includes raising the main dam spillway elevation and improvements to pumps, water mains, and associated infrastructure to transmit water from the plant to the distribution system and regional water customers. The project contributes to important components of Phase II of the Southern New Hampshire Region Water Project (SNHRWP) by increasing the source supply and system capacity to bring clean and safe drinking water to southern communities with PFAS contamination. Additional time is needed to complete design and permitting identified in the feasibility analysis. To date, \$0 of the original \$3,000,000 grant award has been spent.

The grant amendment has been approved by the Attorney General's Office as to form, substance and execution.

In the event DWGTF funds become unavailable, general funds will not be used to support this project.

We respectfully request your approval of this item.


Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

**Manchester Water Works
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)
Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund (DWGTF) Grant
Amendment #1**

This Agreement (hereinafter called the Amendment) is by and between the State of New Hampshire, acting by and through its Department of Environmental Services (hereinafter referred to as the State) and the Manchester Water Works acting by and through their Director, Philip Crosdale (hereinafter referred to as the Grantee).

WHEREAS, pursuant to an Agreement (hereinafter called the Agreement) approved by the Governor and Council on October 30, 2024, Item #80, the Grantee agreed to perform certain services upon the terms and conditions specified in the Agreement and in consideration of payment by the State of certain sums as specified therein; and

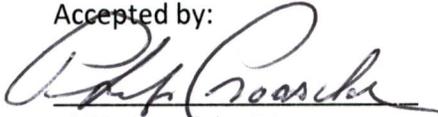
WHEREAS, The Grantee and the State have agreed to amend the Agreement in certain respects;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, and the covenants and conditions contained in the Agreement and set forth herein, the parties hereto do hereby agree as follows:

1. Amendment and Modification of Agreement: The Agreement is hereby amended as follows:
 - (A) The Grant Limitation as set forth in sub-paragraph 1.8 of the Agreement shall be changed to \$4,300,000 from \$3,000,000.
 - (B) The Completion Date as set forth in sub-paragraph 1.7 of the Agreement shall be changed to December 31, 2027, from June 1, 2026.
 - (C) The Account Number as set forth in sub-paragraph 1.6 of the Agreement shall include 03-44-44-444010-7428-073.
 - (D) Delete Exhibit C and replace with Exhibit C – Amendment 1. Exhibit C – Amendment 1 is attached hereto and incorporated into this amendment and agreement by reference.
2. Effective Date of Amendment: This Amendment shall take effect upon the date of approval of this Amendment by the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire.
3. Continuance of Agreement: Except as specifically amended and modified by the terms and conditions of this Amendment, the Agreement, and the obligations of the parties thereunder, shall remain in full force and effect in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth therein.

**Manchester Water Works
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant
Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund (DWGTF) Grant
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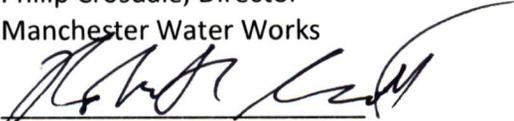
Accepted by:



Philip Crosdale, Director
Manchester Water Works

6/26/2025

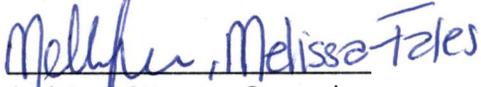
Date



Robert R. Scott, Commissioner
Department of Environmental Services

7/24/25

Date



Assistant Attorney General
Department of Justice

7/28/25

Date

Approved as to form, substance and execution

**Manchester Water Works
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)
Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund (DWGTF) Grant
Amendment #1**

**Exhibit C- Amendment 1
METHOD OF PAYMENT**

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) shall pay to the Grantee the total reimbursable program costs up to \$4,300,000 for eligible drinking water improvements costs not to exceed the total Grant Limitation of \$4,300,000 in accordance with the following requirements:

Reimbursement requests for project costs shall be made no more than once per calendar month by the Grantee using the applicable Disbursement Form as supplied by NHDES, which shall be completed and signed by the Grantee. The disbursement form shall be accompanied by proper supporting documentation based upon direct costs. The Grantee will maintain adequate documentation to substantiate all project related costs. All work shall be performed to the satisfaction of the NHDES before payment is made.

The funding is a combination of an ARPA grant of \$3,000,000 and a DWGTF grant of \$1,300,000. To the greatest extent practicable, ARPA funds shall be fully disbursed prior to disbursing the DWGTF grant funds, and no later than October 1, 2026. Each DWGTF disbursement will be 100% grant and the total DWGTF grant reimbursement shall not exceed the grant award of \$1,300,000.

Project-related changes to the Scope of Services outlined in Exhibit B require NHDES approval in advance, approval by the Drinking Water and Groundwater Advisory Commission, and a Grant Agreement amendment subject to approval by the Governor and Executive Council. All work must be completed prior to the completion date (section 1.7) in this Grant Agreement to be eligible for reimbursement.

Kevin J. O'Neil
Risk Manager



CITY OF MANCHESTER
Office of Risk Management

CERTIFICATE OF COVERAGE

New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services
PO Box 95, 29 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH 03302-0095

This certificate is issued as a matter of information only and confers no rights upon the certificate holder. This certificate does not amend, extend or alter the coverage within the financial limits of RSA 507-B as follows:

	Limits of Liability (in thousands 000)	
GENERAL LIABILITY	Bodily Injury and Property Damage	
	Each Person	325
	Each Occurrence	1000
	Aggregate	2000
AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY	Bodily Injury and Property Damage	
	Each Person	325
	Each Occurrence	1000
	Aggregate	2000
WORKER'S COMPENSATION	Statutory Limits	

The City of Manchester, New Hampshire maintains a Self-Insured, Self-Funded Program and retains outside claim service administration. All coverages are continuous until otherwise notified. Effective on the date Certificate issued and expiring upon completion of contract. Notwithstanding any requirements, term or condition of any contract or other document with respect to which this certificate may be issued or may pertain, the coverage afforded by the limits described herein is subject to all the terms, exclusions and conditions of RSA 507-B.

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS/LOCATION/CONTRACT PERIOD

Re: For Manchester Water Works ARPA Grant.

Issued the 4th day of October, 2024



Risk Manager

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Manchester Water Works
281 Lincoln Street, Manchester, NH 03103

CERTIFICATE OF VOTE

I, **Gary Hamer** do hereby certify that:

1. I am the President of the Board of Water Commissioners of the Manchester Water Works.
2. At a meeting held on June 26, 2025, the Board of Water Commissioners voted to accept funds and enter into a Grant Agreement with the **State of New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services** for a water system improvement project.
3. The Board of Water Commissioners further authorized Philip Croasdale, Director to execute any documents necessary to effectuate this Grant Agreement.
4. This authority has not been revoked, superseded, or amended as of the date of this certification.

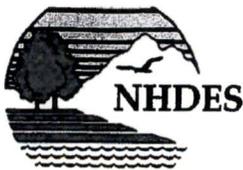
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as the President of the Board of Water Commissioners of the Manchester Water Works on June 26, 2025.

Signature: _____



Date: _____

June 26, 2025



THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
Department of Environmental Services



Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

October 8, 2024

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

APPROVED G & C
DATE 10/30/2024
ITEM # 80

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Environmental Services to award a grant to the Manchester Water Works, Manchester, NH (VC#170435-B002) in the amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 for water system improvements, effective upon Governor & Council approval through June 1, 2026. 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is available in the following account:

03-44-44-440010-2476-072-500574

Dept Environmental Services, ARPA Program, Grants Federal
Activity Code #: 00FRF602WB44010

WK 12844052
RD 245160
CRF14

FY 2025
\$3,000,000

EXPLANATION

NHDES is requesting approval to enter into a grant agreement for American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) funds for the Manchester Water Works. Manchester Water Works will use the grant funds to increase drinking water supply capacity from its Lake Massabesic Water Treatment Plant; including, but not limited to, increasing the storage volume of Lake Massabesic by increasing the Main Dam spillway elevation and improvements to pumps, water mains, and associated infrastructure to transmit treated water from the plant to the distribution system and regional water customers. The project will improve system capacity, resiliency and reliability.

ARPA is a \$1.9 trillion economic stimulus bill passed by the 117th United States Congress and signed into law by President Biden on March 11, 2021, to speed up the United States' recovery from the economic and health effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and the resultant recession. The Act defines eligible uses of the state and local funding, including responding to public health emergencies, responding to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 emergency, providing revenue relief to states and making investments in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure. This is an allowable use of ARP FRF funds under Section 602 (c)(1)(D) to make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

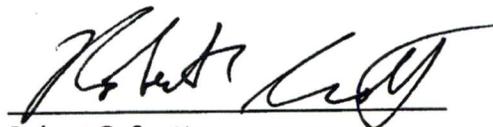
In accordance with the final rule from the US Treasury Department for water and wastewater infrastructure investments, project eligibility is aligned with the Environmental Protection Agency's

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Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF). This project is an eligible DWSRF infrastructure project.

If federal funds become no longer available, general funds will not be requested to support this program. This agreement has been approved by the Attorney General's Office as to form, substance, and execution.

We respectfully request your approval of this item.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert R. Scott", written over a horizontal line.

Robert R. Scott
Commissioner