



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

Robert R. Scott, Commissioner



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January 21, 2026

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

**REQUESTED ACTION**

Authorize the Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) to amend an American Rescue Plan Act grant (PO#1100343) to the Winnepesaukee River Basin Program (WRBP), Franklin, New Hampshire (VC# 201164 B001) by extending the completion date to September 1, 2026, from April 1, 2026, effective upon Governor and Council approval. This is a no cost time extension. The original grant was approved by Governor and Council on March 27, 2024, Item# 58 and amended May 21, 2025, Item #90. 100% Federal Funds.

**EXPLANATION**

We are requesting approval of this amendment to provide the WPRB with additional time to complete work on its cybersecurity project. The WRBP is requesting another no cost time extension due to unforeseen material shipping delays, which will delay delivery until late April and push the remaining project tasks beyond the current deadline. This amendment will allow sufficient time for installation and full project completion. To date, none of the original \$50,000 grant has been expended.

In the event grant funds become no longer available, general funds will not be requested to support this program. This amendment has been approved by the Attorney General's Office as to form, substance, and execution. The WRBP is a subset of the Department of Environmental Services, per RSA 485-A:45-54, and therefore under the authority of the Commissioner.

We respectfully request your approval of this item.

Robert R. Scott  
Commissioner

**MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE  
NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AND THE  
WINNIPESAUKEE RIVER BASIN PROGRAM  
CYB-ARPA-029  
Amendment #2**

WHEREAS the NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) has entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Winnepesaukee River Basin Program (WPRB), in the amount of \$50,000, for cybersecurity improvements through April 1, 2026, which was approved by Governor and Council on March 27, 2024, as Item #58 and amended on May 21, 2025, as Item #90.

WHEREAS there is a continuing need for funding to support cybersecurity improvements for drinking water and wastewater facilities;

NOW THEREFORE, amend the original MOA between NHDES and WPRB in the following manner:

1. Amend the end date of the MOA in Section 5, from April 1, 2026 to September 1, 2026.
2. Amend Exhibit C to require payment along with required proof of work to be submitted no later than 30 days after the completion date or the grant will be closed out and funds will no longer be available.
3. All other conditions outlined in the Agreement shall remain in effect.
4. This Amendment shall take effect upon the date of approval of the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands as of the day and year first above written.

Accepted by:

  
Robert R. Scott, Commissioner  
Department of Environmental Services

1/29/26  
Date

  
Assistant Attorney General  
Department of Justice  
Approved as to form, substance and execution.

2/2/24  
Date