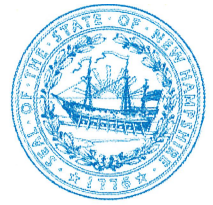




The State of New Hampshire
Department of Environmental Services



Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

July 30, 2026

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

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 9:16-c, I, authorize the Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) to transfer funds in the amount of \$2,784, and create a new expenditure class code, to maximize the use of federal grant funds to complete the requirements set forth in the federal grant, effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor & Council approval through June 30, 2027. 100% Federal Funds

Funding is to be re-budgeted as follows:

**GEOLOGY AND WATER PROJECTS
03-44-44-440010-91140000
FY 2027**

Class	Budget Category	Current Budget	Requested Action	Revised Budget
Income				
000-404564-16	Federal Funds	\$41,462	\$0	\$41,462
Expenditures				
020-500200	Current Expense	\$600	\$0	\$600
027-502799	Transfers to DoIT	\$0	\$2,784	\$2,784
030-500310	Equipment	\$295	\$0	\$295
040-500800	Indirect Costs	\$1,840	\$0	\$1,840
041-500801	Audit Fund Set Aside	\$58	\$0	\$58
050-500109	Personnel Full-Time Temp	\$19,065	\$0	\$19,065
060-500601	Benefits	\$4,544	\$0	\$4,544
066-501709	Employee Training	\$301	\$0	\$301
070-500705	In-State Travel	\$2,038	\$0	\$2,038
080-500716	Out Of State Travel	\$3,520	\$0	\$3,520
102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	\$9,201	(\$2,784)	\$6,417
	TOTAL	\$41,462	\$0	\$41,462

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EXPLANATION

The purpose of this request is to transfer federal funds, provided through a grant from the United States Geological Survey (USGS), Geological and Geophysical Data Preservation Program, to allow NHDES to execute its deliverables under the grant to provide the electronic scans of water well completion reports to the public via the state's website to meet citizen and stakeholder expectations for full information regarding the state's groundwater resources and subsurface character. There are sufficient funds available in class 102, Contracts for Program Services, for the remainder of fiscal year 2027.

NHDES is requesting to transfer these grant funds as follows:

Class 027 Transfers to DoIT: create expense class and appropriate funds to pay for DoIT staff time to build the link between electronically scanned reports and each reports' record on the NHDES OneStop website to complete requirements set forth in the federal grant.

Class 102 Contracts for Program Services: Decrease the available funds in this class.

The following information is provided in accordance with the Budget Officer's instructional memorandum dated April 17, 1985.

- 1) Does the transfer involve continuing programs or one-time projects? This is an ongoing program
- 2) Is this transfer required to maintain existing program level or will it increase the program level?
This is to maintain program levels
- 3) Cite any requirements which make this program mandatory. Federal Grant from USGS
- 4) Identify the source of the funds on all accounts listed on this transfer. Federal
- 5) Will there be any effect on revenue if this transfer is approved or disapproved? No
- 6) Are funds expected to lapse if this transfer is not approved? No
- 7) Are personnel services involved? No
If yes, answer the following:
 - a. Number of positions budgeted in each account.
 - b. Number of positions filled in each account.
 - c. Reason for vacant positions.
 - d. Have any positions been transferred previously in these accounts?
 - e. Will any positions be transferred as a result of this request?

We respectfully request your approval of this item.


Robert R. Scott, Commissioner