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Agency of Natural Resources

TO: Representative Alice Emmons
House Committee on Corrections and Institutions

Senator Peg Flory
Senate Committee on Institutions

FROM: Louis Porter, Commissioner
Fish & Wildlife Department

DATE: January 15, 2015

RE: Fish & Wildlife Capital Fund Update

As requested, please find an explanation of the Department's plans for the following capital appropriations:

Appropriation 6120991101 – F&W Projects

The remaining funds in this appropriation are designated for Phase I of the Dead Creek house renovation and Roxbury Fish Culture Station rebuild. Phase I of the Dead Creek house renovation will convert the house into offices and an outreach center. These renovations have been underway and are scheduled for completion by June 30, 2015. Funds for the Roxbury Fish Culture Station are earmarked for rebuilding the hatchery, which was destroyed in Hurricane Irene.

Appropriation 6120991201 – F&W Projects

The remaining funds in this appropriation are designated for the Roxbury Fish Culture Station rebuild.

Appropriation 6120991301 – FW Various Projects 51/11(a)(4)

The funds in this appropriation will be used for fish culture station improvements, fishing access area improvements, wildlife management area improvements, shooting range improvements and emergency dam repair. The fish culture station improvements have been on-going and will be completed in the summer of 2015. The fishing access area improvements will result in the construction of new docks and retrofitting older docks throughout the state. There is an executed contract for this project and docks are currently being constructed for spring 2015 installation. The wildlife management area improvement project is a two-year project that includes road maintenance, infrastructure improvements, and dam repairs. These funds are scheduled to be expended by June 30, 2015. The funds earmarked for shooting ranges will be used to implement the next phase of our range management planning, at the West Mountain WMA shooting range. The emergency dam repair project is to repair the Sandbar WMA dam that was damaged in the 2011 spring flood. There is currently an executed contract for this project and work is scheduled to begin January 2015.



CAPITAL STATUS UPDATE TO LEGISLATURE
As of December 31, 2014

Appropriation	DESCRIPTION	Balance as of 12/31/2014	Projected Balance as of 3/31/2015	Projected Balance as of 6/30/2015	Projected Balance as of 9/30/2015
6120991101	The funds under this appropriation are to be used for the renovation of the Dead Creek WMA house into offices and an outreach center and rebuilding the Roxbury Fish Culture Station.	\$247,446	\$146,788	\$128,802	\$128,802
6120991201	The funds under this appropriation are to be used for fish culture station improvements and rebuilding the Roxbury Fish Culture Station.	\$398,978	\$398,978	\$287,204	\$287,204
6120991301	The funds under this appropriation are to be used for fish culture station improvements, fishing access area improvements, wildlife management area improvements, shooting range improvements and emergency dam repair.	\$259,395	\$207,125	\$20,458	\$0