

Vermont Agency of Natural Resources

Budget Adjustment Request

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BAA Requests

- Clean Water, ARPA and CWF
- Green River Reservoir

On-going ARPA-Funded Water Infrastructure Initiatives

- Total of \$50m in FY22
 - \$40m directed to six ANR-led initiatives:
 - Village Water & Sewer (\$8m)
 - Sewer Overflow (\$10m)
 - 3-acre Stormwater (\$10m, includes \$3.5m to VTrans)
 - Pretreatment (\$2m)
 - Healthy Homes (\$5m)
 - Language tweaks in BAA
 - Allow grants, in addition to loans
 - Add “inadequate” in addition to “failed”
 - Dam safety improvements at state-owned assets, (\$5m)
 - Moved to GF due to eligibility concerns
 - \$10m for allocation by the Clean Water Board

On-going ARPA-Funded Water Infrastructure Initiatives, cont.

- FY22 budget also provided \$50m to ANR to be carried forward
 - \$20m (\$10m/year) for allocation by the Clean Water Board in FY23 and FY24
 - \$30m to continue/expand FY22 water initiatives
 - DEC required to “provide a project list as part of their annual budget request in FY 2023 and FY 2024”
- As of December 31, ANR anticipates deploying ~2/3 of its total FY22 ARPA appropriations, with all available FY22 funding committed by the end of Q1 CY22

FY22 Clean Water BAA Specifics

- Clean Water Board recommended the following uses of the ARPA monies:
 - Agricultural BMPs (\$3.5m)
 - Stormwater Project Delivery, Planning and Implementation (\$3.5m)
 - Municipal (wastewater) pollution control grants (\$3m)
- In addition, the Board recommended:
 - Increasing the allocation of Clean Water Funds to AAFM by \$1,442,457
 - Responding to contractor price volatility that affected ability to meet target cost share rates
 - Reprogramming \$3.5m in Stormwater Project Delivery, Planning and Implementation monies from the Clean Water Fund for:
 - Municipal (Road) Stormwater Mitigation (\$1.5m, administered by VTrans)
 - Natural Resources Restoration (\$1m FWD; \$500k DEC)
 - Partner Support (\$500k)
- Complete transfer of Grant-in-Aid Program to VTrans (\$675k, residual FY21 monies)

Green River Reservoir

- Green River is an aging and high hazard dam that is nearing the end of its original design life; State is being asked to consider assuming ownership
- Currently there is a gap in information needed to understand full cost picture
- \$350,000 BAA request *“to evaluate and provide an analysis of the capital and ongoing operations and maintenance costs of the Green River Dam.”*
 - Assess annual Operations and Maintenance needs
 - Including staffing
 - Enumerate costs incurred by the owner, such as:
 - Insurance
 - Inspection
 - Emergency action planning
 - Complete a Cost-Benefit analysis
 - Taking into account the current condition of the asset