

February 17, 2023

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Vice President, Operations & Utility Innovation  
Aquarion Water Company  
835 Main Street, Bridgeport, CT, 06604

**Subject: Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund-  
Change of scope Rosebrook Pressure Reduction Project**

Dear Mr. Walsh,

On February 13, 2023, the NH Drinking Water and Groundwater (DWGTF) Advisory Commission reviewed the change in scope proposed by Aquarion for the Rosebrook Pressure Reduction Project. The NHDES Project Manager, Randy Suozzo, provided an overview to the Advisory Commission of the project milestones that have occurred since 2018 and how the project needed to be split into two phases. The request to the Advisory Commission was for Aquarion to change the scope of services originally outlined in the 2021 DWGTF funding proposal. Specifically, for Aquarion to use the approved \$2,520,000 loan and \$280,000 grant for the Phase-I only portion of the pressure reduction project. The change of scope was approved by the Advisory Commission.

The next step to obtain your funding is to get the authority to accept the funds and submit a [Drinking Water Infrastructure Project: Final Application](#). The required documents are listed on this [Final Application Checklist](#). **Final applications are due by May 1, 2023.\*\***

Aquarion will enter into a grant and loan agreement with the State, which must be approved by the Governor and Executive Council. Any non-construction project related work that has been completed may be eligible for reimbursement once the funding agreements are in place and approved by the Governor and Executive Council. Construction may not start without Governor and Executive Council approval and completion of the required Environmental Review.

The DWGTF administrative staff can host an informational meeting for your team to provide an overview of the process. If you have any questions, please contact me at 603-271-8321 or at [cheryl.a.bondi@des.nh.gov](mailto:cheryl.a.bondi@des.nh.gov).

Sincerely,



Cheryl Bondi, Ph.D.  
Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund  
New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services

Cc: Randy Suozzo, NHDES DWGB Project manager  
Jen Bradley, NHDES MtBE Environmental Review Coordinator

**\*\*Aquarion/Abenaki note: this date was provided by DES as a guideline to provide a schedule for required process once PUC approval has been obtained. In an email dated February 21, 2023, DES confirmed with Aquarion that May 1, 2023 is not a hard deadline.**