

	U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY Assistance Amendment	GRANT NUMBER (FAIN): 99121823 MODIFICATION NUMBER: 1 PROGRAM CODE: FS	DATE OF AWARD 06/24/2024
		TYPE OF ACTION No Cost Amendment	MAILING DATE 06/24/2024
		PAYMENT METHOD: ASAP	ACH# 10114
		RECIPIENT TYPE: State	
RECIPIENT: Vermont D.E.C. 1 National Life Drive Main Building, 2nd Floor Montpelier, VT 05620-3522 EIN: 03-6000274		Send Payment Request to: Contact EPA RTPFC at: rtpfc-grants@epa.gov	
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PROJECT TITLE AND EXPLANATION OF CHANGES Fiscal Year 2023 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Base Amendment #1 approves an update to Programmatic Term and Condition M, Full Lead Service Line Replacement. All other Terms and Conditions remain unchanged, and in full force and effect.			
BUDGET PERIOD 10/01/2023 - 09/30/2030	PROJECT PERIOD 10/01/2023 - 09/30/2030	TOTAL BUDGET PERIOD COST \$ 6,044,400.00	TOTAL PROJECT PERIOD COST \$ 6,044,400.00
NOTICE OF AWARD Based on your Application dated 06/30/2023 including all modifications and amendments, the United States acting by and through the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) hereby awards \$ 0.00. EPA agrees to cost-share 83.33% of all approved budget period costs incurred, up to and not exceeding total federal funding of \$ 5,037,000.00. Recipient's signature is not required on this agreement. The recipient demonstrates its commitment to carry out this award by either: 1) drawing down funds within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date; or 2) not filing a notice of disagreement with the award terms and conditions within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date. If the recipient disagrees with the terms and conditions specified in this award, the authorized representative of the recipient must furnish a notice of disagreement to the EPA Award Official within 21 days after the EPA award or amendment mailing date. In case of disagreement, and until the disagreement is resolved, the recipient should not draw down on the funds provided by this award/amendment, and any costs incurred by the recipient are at its own risk. This agreement is subject to applicable EPA regulatory and statutory provisions, all terms and conditions of this agreement and any attachments.			
ISSUING OFFICE (GRANTS MANAGEMENT OFFICE)		AWARD APPROVAL OFFICE	
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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BY THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY			
Digital signature applied by EPA Award Official Flower Armijo - Grants Management Specialist			DATE 06/24/2024

EPA Funding Information

FUNDS	FORMER AWARD	THIS ACTION	AMENDED TOTAL
EPA Amount This Action	\$ 5,037,000	\$ 0	\$ 5,037,000
EPA In-Kind Amount	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Unexpended Prior Year Balance	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Other Federal Funds	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Recipient Contribution	\$ 1,007,400	\$ 0	\$ 1,007,400
State Contribution	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Local Contribution	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Other Contribution	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Allowable Project Cost	\$ 6,044,400	\$ 0	\$ 6,044,400

Assistance Program (CFDA)	Statutory Authority	Regulatory Authority
66.468 - Drinking Water State Revolving Fund	Safe Drinking Water Act: Sec. 1452	2 CFR 200, 2 CFR 1500, 40 CFR 33 and 40 CFR 35 Subpart L

Budget Summary Page

Table A - Object Class Category (Non-Construction)	Total Approved Allowable Budget Period Cost
1. Personnel	\$ 623,501
2. Fringe Benefits	\$ 331,166
3. Travel	\$ 0
4. Equipment	\$ 0
5. Supplies	\$ 13,696
6. Contractual	\$ 98,760
7. Construction	\$ 0
8. Other	\$ 4,794,529
9. Total Direct Charges	\$ 5,861,652
10. Indirect Costs: 0.00 % Base -	\$ 182,748
11. Total (Share: Recipient <u>16.67</u> % Federal <u>83.33</u> %)	\$ 6,044,400
12. Total Approved Assistance Amount	\$ 5,037,000
13. Program Income	\$ 0
14. Total EPA Amount Awarded This Action	\$ 0
15. Total EPA Amount Awarded To Date	\$ 5,037,000

Administrative Conditions

All Administrative Terms and Conditions remain unchanged, and in full force and effect.

Programmatic Conditions

The Programmatic Terms and Conditions update serves to update Term and Condition M to reflect the current Full Lead Service Line Replacement. All other Programmatic Terms and Conditions remain unchanged, and in full force and effect.

M. Full Lead Service Line Replacement

The following terms and conditions apply to all assistance agreements signed on or after August 1, 2024 involving lead service line replacement. At the discretion of State DWSRF programs these requirements may be applied to assistance agreements signed prior to this effective date.

(a) Stand-alone Lead Service Line Replacement

(1) The recipient agrees to ensure that stand-alone LSLR projects funded either in whole or in part under this capitalization grant must replace the entire lead service line, not just a portion, unless a portion has already been replaced or is concurrently being replaced with another funding source.

(2) The recipient agrees the time between starting and completing full LSLR for individual service lines should be as short as possible and should not exceed three months.

(b) Lead Service Line Replacement Performed in Conjunction with Planned Infrastructure Projects

(1) While full LSLR is the desired outcome of all DWSRF assistance for LSLR, the logistics involved with coordinating LSLR with planned infrastructure projects may dictate that partial replacement of a service line is necessary if disturbance to the service line is unavoidable and the water system cannot gain access to conduct a full lead service line replacement (e.g., a customer refuses to allow replacement of the customer-owned portion of the service line). In the event a water system cannot gain access to conduct full LSLR because of a customer refusal, borrowers receiving assistance under the DWSRF assistance agreement may conduct partial LSLR in conjunction with planned infrastructure work. For the purposes of oversight and confirming eligibility, state programs must require borrowers to document customer refusals, which could consist of any of the following: a refusal signed by the customer, documentation of a verbal statement refusing replacement, or documentation of no response after multiple attempts to reach the customer regarding full LSLR. State programs must record the number of partial replacements and the methods for documenting customer refusals in the SRF data system. Even if these requirements for conducting partial LSLR in conjunction with planned infrastructure projects are satisfied, a state, in its discretion, can still choose to fund only full LSLR.

(c) Lead Service Line Replacement Performed in Conjunction with Emergency Infrastructure Repair or Replacement

(1) Under emergency circumstances, a PWS may use DWSRF funding to pay for partial LSLR if full replacement is not possible due to customer refusal. For the purposes of oversight and confirming eligibility, state programs must require borrowers to document customer refusals in a manner determined by the state. Best practices consist of any of the following: a refusal signed by the customer, documentation of a verbal statement refusing replacement, or documentation of no response after multiple attempts to reach the customer regarding full LSLR. State programs must record the number of partial replacements and the methods for documenting customer refusals in the SRF data system. Even if these requirements for conducting partial LSLR in emergency circumstances are satisfied, a state, in its discretion, can still choose to fund only full LSLR.