

LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES RECEIVE GRANT/LOAN AWARDS

Five Municipalities in the Upper Coastal Plain Council of Government (UCPCOG) Region were awarded project funding at the State Water Infrastructure Authority meeting on July 8, 2020.

The Town of Bailey was awarded a Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Project Loan in the amount of \$533,500 to replace 1,100 LF of 8” sewer lines, replace 4 manholes, and replace existing sanitary sewer service connection.

The Town of Enfield was awarded a Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) Project Loan in the amount of \$859,685 with partial Principal Forgiveness, to replace 480 LF of 10” water mains, 5,770 LF of 6” water main, 14 fire hydrant assemblies, 68 water services, and install two auto-flushing devices.

The Town of Seaboard has been awarded a DWSRF Project Loan in the amount of \$1,429,500 with Principal Forgiveness, to fund additional water line distribution improvements.

The Town of Whitakers was awarded a DWSRF Project Loan in the amount of \$750,000 with Principal Forgiveness, to replace 5,700 LF of existing 2” diameter galvanized waterline that has been in active service for in excess of 80 years.

Finally, the Town of Woodland was awarded a CWSRF Project Loan in the amount of \$2,000,000, with partial Principal Forgiveness, to replace approximately 1,735 LF of 10” VC pipe, 2,040 LF of 8” VC Pipe, grouting abandoned 6” & 10” line across private property, replace/abandon 8 existing manholes and replace 22 sewer services.

The UCPCOG Planning and Development Services department assisted these five municipalities with the application preparation and submittal process and is expected to provide grant administration services and technical assistance related to the project for the Towns, selected engineering firm and others involved. UCPCOG Executive Director, Robert Hiatt, said “We are

once again honored to assist our eligible member governments in obtaining the necessary funds for much needed water and sewer infrastructure improvements. This brings our Region's total active efforts to twenty-one (21) projects involving nine municipalities and counties; one of the very best records in the state."

UCPCOG Board Chair Browning added, "The Upper Coastal Plain Council of Government Board is excited for these municipalities and what this will mean for the Region as a whole. The awards will help each of these local governments as they work to develop community and economic development opportunities for their citizens"

The Council of Governments is a regional planning and development organization for Edgecombe, Halifax, Nash, Northampton, and Wilson counties and 41 municipal governments in the five-county region. The council administers several federal and state programs within its region. Its major program areas involve aging services, business and economic development, community planning programs and workforce development programs and services.

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