

American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) & Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund (DWGTF) Updates



Hello!

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WATER & WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING

The need is demonstrated.
Funding is available.



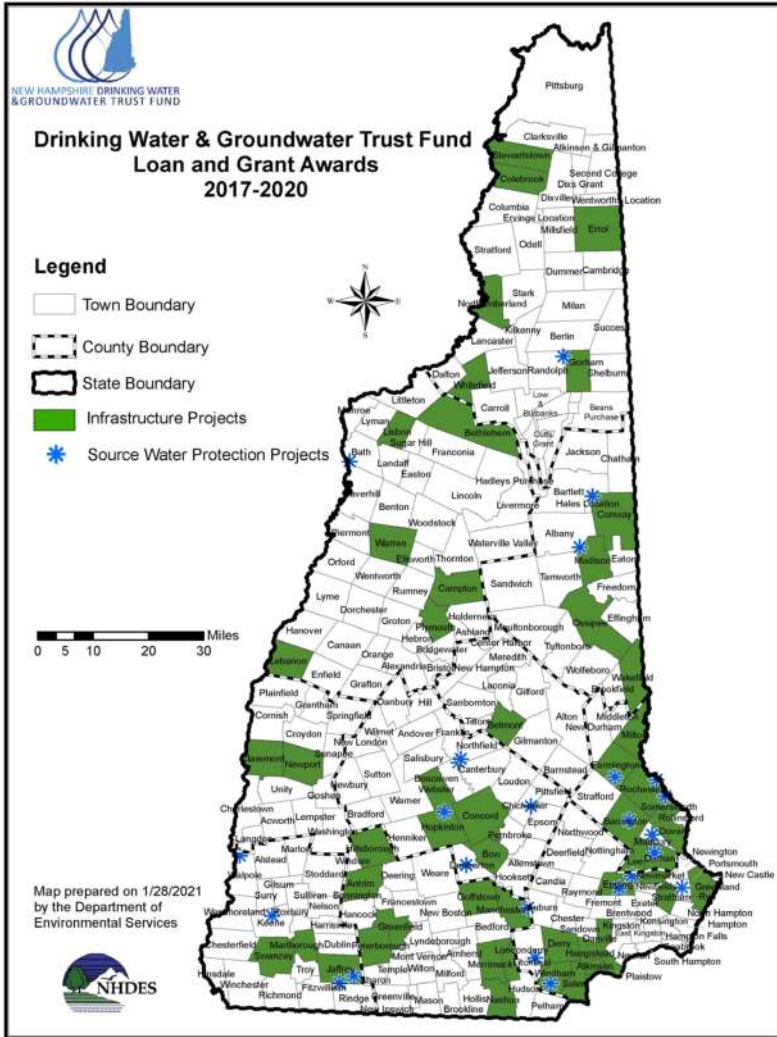
\$498,896,698

Eligible funding applications for 2021 DWGTF annual
round & DWSRF

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Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund

Supporting a large variety of DW
infrastructure projects and NHDES –
led programs



Cumulative Award - \$122 M as of December 31, 2020

- 67 Drinking water infrastructure projects
- 27 Source water protection projects

NHDES Initiatives

- Statewide Private Well Sampling
- Water Well - Ness
- Water Infrastructure Improvement for the Nation
- Low - Income Residential Drought Assistance program

Corpus Balance (as of 12/31/20) - \$153 M

2021 Target Award - \$30.63 M

2021 Awards to Date - \$8.96 M



Supports Programs from Source to Tap



The uniqueness of the Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund is that it can support a large variety of projects — source to tap.

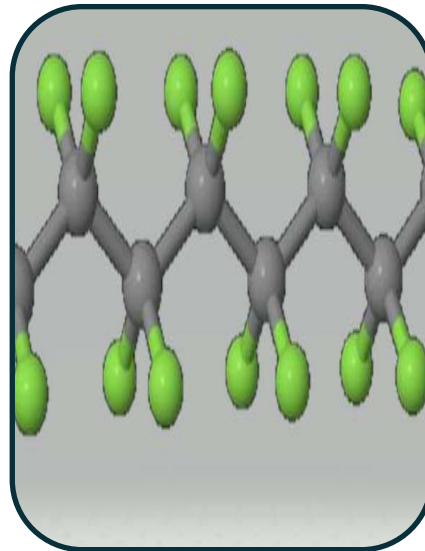


Source water protection doesn't solve all the problems

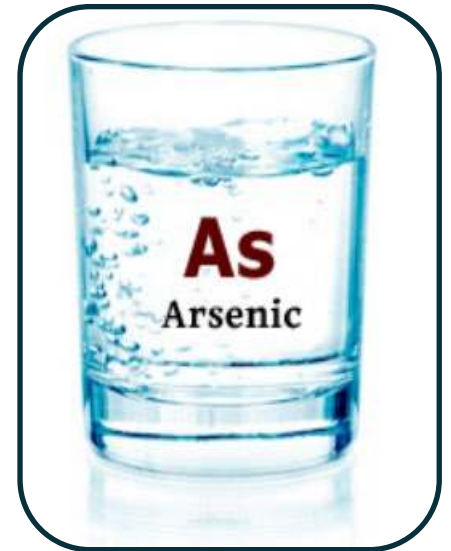
Drought & Supply Issues



Man - Made Contamination



Naturally Occurring Contamination



MAKING CONTINUOUS PROGRESS

NHDES strives to develop programs that provide support and encourage progress from the largest town or municipal system to the individual.



NEW!

- Consolidation Study Assistance Grant - \$200K
 - Max. \$10,000 grants, 1st Come, 1st Served
 - Eligibility Requirements
- Drought Assistance Program \$1.95 M
 - Active in Coos, Grafton, & Carroll
 - Qualifying Low-Income Residential Well Owners

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American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

New Funding Program for Drinking
Water, Wastewater, Critical Flood
Risk

ARPA FUNDING OVERVIEW

Time Line

- Mar. 3, 2021 – Clock begins
- Dec. 31, 2024 – Funds Must be Obligated
- Dec. 31, 2026 – Funds must be spent

Eligibility

- Eligible Applicants and Projects under the Drinking Water and Clean Water State Revolving Loan Funds

Good to Know

- Grant Funds Only
- Limited Federal Provisions for Projects under \$10 M



Grant Funds

Make necessary investments in water and sewer



Prioritization

Using funds in accordance with CWA and SDWA



100% Awesome

NHDES intended use of funds will have a positive impact across NH

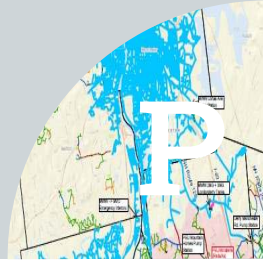


ARPA Funding Categories

PROJECT PLANNING \$7.5 M

Improves project development
& readiness

Assists communities applying
to other funding programs



Propels communities forward
Support existing programs (i.e.,
asset management)

LONG- TERM SYSTEM SUSTAINABILITY - \$10 M



INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS- \$75 M

Distribution of ARPA grant funds
across the state

Incentivizes communities to
move forward with their



Comprehensive program to
enhance quality and reliability of
DW and WW infrastructure

DISADVANTAGED GRANT PROGRAM - \$26.5 M





ARPA Funding Timeline

\$50 M appropriation of ARPA funds to NHDES approved

Finalize work plans and potential awards for existing applications

Potential solicitation for Cybersecurity & Disadvantaged Grant applications

Evaluate ARPA supported programs; Initiate additional solicitations as needed.

JUN

JUL - SEPT

SEP - OCT

NOV – DEC INTO WINTER 2022

SPRING 2022

2022 - 2023

Development of ARPA guidance documents and work plans for use of funding

\$100 M appropriation of ARPA funds to NHDES approved

Start solicitations for various programs

Continue to award ARPA funds in accordance with work plans

Potential cut - off to encumber awarded funds to date

NHDES focus on outreach & education of ARPA - supporting programs 2021 - 2023

THANK YOU!

