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Alterations, renovations and new construction at state parks and other recreation facilities including Americans with Disabilities Act improvements

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/24	FY25 Auth (Current Law)	Gov. Proposed Revision	FY 25 Net Auth (revised)
Alterations, renovations and new construction at state parks and other recreation facilities including				
Americans with Disabilities Act improvements	30,000,000	30,000,000		30,000,000

- 1. Do you need the unallocated balance? Yes
 - a. If so, for what purpose? DEEP has identified projects totaling over \$176M in infrastructure needs. The remaining \$30M in unallocated funds and continued infrastructure support through future authorizations will help to transform and restore critical infrastructure throughout the state in our parks, boat launches, and campgrounds.
 - b. Within what time frame? The agency expects to present an additional request to the Bond Commission within the next few months for continued support of projects ready to go.
- 2. Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise? *Funds approved by the State Bond Commission are assigned to projects, consistent with the purposes outlined in the agency's request.*
 - a. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects. List to be provided
- 3. Allocation of funds
 - a. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever? *DEEP was* allocated \$15M in June of 2023
 - b. Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when? No, DEEP anticipates making a request at the next bond commission meeting
- 4. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds? N/A
- 5. For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent? The most recent allocation of \$15M received in June 2023 has been spent or allocated to projects.
 - a. What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds? Timeframes vary based on the scope of the project, project scale and project administration.
- 6. If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed? DEEP anticipates a continued need of project funds to address the significant backlog of infrastructure projects across a myriad of facilities across the state.
 - a. Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium? Yes, based on the significant backlog of infrastructure projects there will be continued needs past the biennium.

 For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed? Yes, design and construction costs continue to increase, and our bond allocation request is reflective of those escalating costs.

Clean Water Fund GO - Grants-in-aid to towns

	Unallocated	FY25 Auth (Current	Gov. Proposed	FY 25 Net Auth
Program	Balance 1/1/24	Law)	Revision	(revised)
Clean Water Fund GO - Grants-in-aid to towns	272,400,000	40,000,000		40,000,000

- 1. Do you need the unallocated balance? Yes
 - a. If so, for what purpose? To fund remaining projects from the F22/23 CWF Priority List which are under agreement and projects expected to be funded from the draft, and soon to be final, FY24/25 Priority List, an additional \$280 million in estimated grants (derived from GO Bonding) will be expended to fund projects. GO bonding is critical to ensure that the Clean Water Fund, managed by the Office of the Treasurer, remains strong and capable of meeting Connecticut's wastewater infrastructure needs. These wastewater needs continue be significant, as evidenced by combined sewer system needs exacerbated during climate-induced rain events causing sewer overflows and backups. In addition to meeting critical water quality goals of the state, this funding is necessary to address environmental justice issues which exist in CT's 4 cities (Hartford, Bridgeport, Norwich, New Haven) which have combined sewer systems.
 - b. Within what time frame? As remaining projects on the current FY 22-23 CWF Priority List go under contract and the next FY24-25 CWF Priority List are implemented, additional GO Bonds will be needed to capitalize the Clean Water Fund. While the COVID-19 pandemic and associated supply chain issues had slowed many construction-ready Clean Water projects in the past few years, DEEP is seeing projects schedules to pick back up and plans to fund a robust number of Clean Water projects.
- 2. Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise? Yes. These funds will be the support for the current and next CWF Priority List. Having these funds available ensures municipalities that the state will be able to partner in their efforts to update public sewer infrastructure.
 - a. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects.

Please see the FY22-23 Priority List and Draft FY24-25 Priority List: <u>https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/DEEP/water/municipal_wastewater/FINAL-PL-FY22-23-August-24-2022.pdf</u> <u>https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/DEEP/water/municipal_wastewater/FY24-25-DRAFT-Priority-List.pdf</u>

- 3. Allocation of funds
 - a. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever? On 12/15/2023, the Bond Commission approved \$75M in GO funds they were allotted on 1/29/2024
 - b. Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when? DEEP in coordination with the Office of the Treasurer regularly

requests GO and Revenue bonding needed to maintain the strength of the Clean Water Fund.

- 4. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds? Progress on Clean Water Fund projects slowed during the pandemic. While the pandemic effects continued to wane in 2023, record inflation and supply chain issues continued to delay construction schedules.
- 5. For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent?
 - a. What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds? The typical timeline can be several years as Clean Water projects are large engineered public infrastructure projects.
- If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion
 or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed?
 N/A
 - a. Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium?
- 7. For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed? An additional \$80 million in GO was authorized in the capital budget for FY24 and FY25. While the list of fundable construction projects is not expected to expand in FY 25 beyond those projects identified in the Draft FY24/25 CWF Priority List (<u>https://portal.ct.gov/-</u>

<u>/media/DEEP/water/municipal_wastewater/FY24-25-DRAFT-Priority-List.pdf</u>), project cost increases may arise due to supply chain issues for specialized equipment costs and/or domestic sourcing requirements of Build America Buy America (BABA).

Connecticut bikeway, pedestrian walkway, recreational trail and greenway grant program

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/24	FY25 Auth (Current Law)	Gov. Proposed Revision	FY 25 Net Auth (revised)
Connecticut bikeway, pedestrian walkway,				
recreational trail and greenway grant program	-	10,000,000		10,000,000

- 1. Do you need the unallocated balance? All bond funds have been allocated.
 - a. If so, for what purpose? N/A
 - b. Within what time frame? N/A
- 2. Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise? N/A
 - a. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects. N/A
- 3. Allocation of funds
 - a. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever? October 2023
 - b. Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when? \$10M was allocated by the bond commission in October 2023, which is funding the current grant round, for which applications just closed. Preliminary results indicate we have more than \$21 million in requested projects.
- 4. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds? No impediments identified, the bond funds are the most useful and preferred method for offering grant funding through this program.

- 5. For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent? As the grant round ended 3/11/2024, allocations have not been assigned by the Connecticut Greenways council or spent at this point in the process. DEEP Trails and Greenways staff are currently reviewing and scoring grant applications with the established grant review guidelines provided with the application. CTDOT will be providing a review and input of the application pool. Highly ranked proposals will be evaluated and discussed in detail with the CT Greenways Council at meeting set for 4/25/2024 and 5/2/2023.
 - a. What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds? Two years on average, however the standard agreement term is for three years. Trail construction projects can take the full three years to complete.
- If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion
 or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed?
 N/A
 - a. Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium? Yes, we anticipate a need for new authorization to support Connecticut Recreational Trails grant funding beyond the biennium. The \$10 million proposed for FY 2025 is important to expand trail development by municipalities, private non-profits, state departments and tribal governments seeking both planning/design and/or construction grants. As evidenced by the FY 2024 grant round, with DEEP receiving approximately \$21 million in funding requests with a high percentage of projects in the planning/design phases, we anticipate approximately one third of approved projects will be construction ready for the 2025 round and the remaining extending beyond 2026.
- 7. For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed? Yes, as more municipalities, private non-profits, state departments and tribal governments learn of these grant opportunities, the requests will continue to increase thus increasing our expected annual amount.

Dam repairs, including state-owned dams

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/24	FY25 Auth (Current Law)	•	FY 25 Net Auth (revised)
Dam repairs, including state-owned dams	14,914,000	2,500,000		2,500,000

- 1. Do you need the unallocated balance? Yes
 - a. If so, for what purpose? For the ongoing need to inspect and repair the over 300 dams owned by the State of Connecticut.
 - b. Within what time frame? DEEP makes requests for bond funds to develop projects, construct repairs, and inspect dams. The need is continual.
- 2. Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise? No unallocated funds are obligated. However, these funds are required for future projects, either planned or time-critical.
 - a. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects. N/A
- 3. Allocation of funds
 - a. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever? December 2023

- b. Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when? \$6,365,000 December 2023. No requests pending
- 4. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds? None
- 5. For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent?
 - a. What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds? The need for bond funds to repair state owned dams is ongoing. Typical dam repair projects take two to three years to complete.
- If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion
 or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed?
 N/A
 - a. Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium? Yes
- 7. For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed? No

For environmental clean-up of the property of the Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority in Hartford and preparation of such property for development

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/24	FY25 Auth (Current Law)	Gov. Proposed Revision	FY 25 Net Auth (revised)
For environmental clean-up of the property of the				
Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority in				
Hartford and preparation of such property for				
development	50,000,000	-		-

- 1. Do you need the unallocated balance? Yes
 - a. If so, for what purpose? For environmental cleanup of the former MIRA waste-to-energy site in Hartford
 - b. Within what time frame? Unknown
- 2. Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise? No
 - a. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects.
- 3. Allocation of funds
 - b. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever? N/A
 - c. Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when? N/A
- 4. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds? N/A
- 5. For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent? N/A
 - d. What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds? N/A
- If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed? N/A
 - e. Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium? Unknown
- 7. For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed? N/A

For landfills, including the Hartford landfill

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/24	FY25 Auth (Current Law)	•	FY 25 Net Auth (revised)
For landfills, including the Hartford landfill	5,000,000	-		-

1. Do you need the unallocated balance? Yes. see responses in landfill section below.

For the purpose of funding any energy services project that results in increased efficiency measures in state buildings pursuant to section 16a-38l of the general statutes, or for any renewable energy or combined heat and power project in state buildings

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/24	FY25 Auth (Current Law)	Gov. Proposed Revision	FY 25 Net Auth (revised)
For the purpose of funding any energy services project that results in increased efficiency measures in state buildings pursuant to section 16a- 38I of the general statutes, or for any renewable energy or combined heat and power project in				
state buildings	22,855,136	20,000,000		20,000,000

- 1. Do you need the unallocated balance? Yes
 - a. If so, for what purpose? The purpose of the unallocated funds is to support the increase in project costs for the implementation of recommendations related to up to 16 Level 2 American Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) Energy Audits that were conducted, as well as to support a consultant for work related to Section 3D. of Executive Order 21-3 requiring a plan to retrofit existing fossil fuel-based heating and cooling systems at state buildings to systems capable of being operated without carbon emitting fuels. The associated decarbonization planning vendor has been selected and the contract is in the process of being fully executed.
 - b. Within what time frame? *DEEP needs these funds for the remainder of this fiscal year and the following.*
- 2. Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise? *They are obligated and attached to projects that have been approved.*
 - a. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects.

The funding is being used for the implementation of recommendations associated with a series of recommendations that arose from third-party efficiency audits of state facilities. The project types range from LED retrofits and upgrades to HVAC optimization and replacements.

- 3. Allocation of funds
 - a. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever? *April 6, 2023 Bond Commission meeting*
 - b. Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when? The most recent requests for funding were made on April 6, 2023 for a total of ~\$11.36 M. These funds were requested to support energy efficiency upgrades in State facilities and a portion of the request (\$10M) was approved.
- 4. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds?

The state has implemented several goals to reduce our greenhouse gas emissions, water, waste, and decarbonize our buildings and get away from fossil fuel energy. This effort requires a lot planning, auditing of buildings, designing, and implementing sustainable projects across state government. We only get a limited amount of funding each year to implement these projects and we must be strategic about what we can do with that until more funding is awarded. Projects get put on hold when there is no funding available, which in turn can lead to increase in project costs above what was already approved for. Having access to the funding will allow us to avoid unnecessary increase in costs.

5. For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent?

Since 2021, the bond commission has allocated \$55,144,864 to fund GreenerGovCT state energy projects. To date, \$5,380,850 is available to fund future GreenerGovCT energy projects.

a. What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds?

Because of the varied programs and priorities, there has been no typical turnaround time for the expenditure of funds.

6. If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed? N/A

a. Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium? Yes. It is anticipated that additional requests will be made as part of the implementation of the decarbonization planning process that will begin shortly.

7. For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed?

If new or increased bond authorization is proposed, the new funds would be needed quickly, as we work towards implementing sustainable projects through state buildings. The funding would allow us to fund additional energy audits at buildings, implement projects with the utilities, and get us closer to our climate goals.

For the purpose of providing matching funds necessary for municipalities, school districts and school bus operators to submit federal grant applications in order to maximize federal funding for the purchase or lease of zero-emission electric school buses and electric vehicle charging infrastructure

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/24	FY25 Auth (Current Law)	Gov. Proposed Revision	FY 25 Net Auth (revised)
For the purpose of providing matching funds necessary for municipalities, school districts and school bus operators to submit federal grant applications in order to maximize federal funding for the purchase or lease of zero-emission electric school buses and electric vehicle charging				
infrastructure	24,000,000	10,000,000		10,000,000

1. Do you need the unallocated balance? Yes

a. If so, for what purpose?

These funds are necessary for DEEP to establish the grant program required by two Public Acts 22-25, section 13(d) and Public Act 22-118 section 314 and are intended to maximize CT's ability to successfully apply for federal funding and to provide match funding to school districts, with a focus on priority school districts to provide the necessary funding to cover costs associated with the installation of charging infrastructure as well as to provide technical and administrative assistance.

b. Within what time frame?

DEEP needs these funds for this and subsequent fiscal years to match awards issued from U.S EPA for several subsequent fiscal years. EPA will be awarding \$5 billion over 5 years to municipalities, school districts and school bus operators for electric school buses and associated infrastructure. DEEP received a \$6 million in bond funds in December.

DEEP expects to be working with Connecticut Technical Education and Career System (CTECS) and DATTCO initially, and other school districts that successfully apply for EPA funds in the future. CTECS was the recipient of a 2022 EPA rebate program grant for which they have taken delivery of the buses and are finalizing installation of charging infrastructure. DATTCO received a 2023 EPA Clean School Bus Award for 50 buses in Connecticut, including 25 for CTECS and 25

for the Hartford Public School District. These projects are expected to begin in late summer 2024, with delivery of the buses and finalization of the charging sometime in early 2025.

2. Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise?

No unallocated funds are obligated. However, these funds are required to assist

municipalities and student transportation providers complete school bus electrification projects. EPA should be notifying successful applicants of funding additional awards in April of 2024.

a. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects.

DEEP is still in the process of developing the details of this program. Information on EPA's Clean School Bus awards for the City of Hartford and the Connecticut Technical Education and Career System can be found at <u>Clean School Bus Program Awards | US EPA</u>

- 3. Allocation of funds
 - a. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever?

Funds have not yet been allocated; DEEP received approval in December of 2023

b. Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when?

\$6 million was requested and allocated in December of 2023

- 4. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds? None, although DEEP intends to conduct additional education and outreach
- 5. For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent?a. What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds?None of the allocation has been spent yet
- If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion
 or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed?
 N/A

a. Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium? Not at this time

7. For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed?

This program is in the very early stages of development, cost estimates are based on experiences with a small number of school bus electrification projects. The cost of charging infrastructure could be variable based on the site and the existing distribution system infrastructure.

For water pollution control projects at state facilities

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/24	FY25 Auth (Current Law)	Gov. Proposed Revision	FY 25 Net Auth (revised)
For water pollution control projects at state				
facilities	1,350,000	1,000,000		1,000,000

1. Do you need the unallocated balance? Yes

- a. If so, for what purpose? The need for bond funds to complete emergency septic repairs, develop studies, expand and connect sewer services, where available, for various state properties is on-going.
- b. Within what time frame? As needed within the current biennial.
- 2. Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise? Future needs as they arise.
 - a. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects.
- 3. Allocation of funds
 - a. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever? 7/21/2020
 - b. Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when? \$500,000 July 21, 2020
- 4. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds? N/A
- 5. For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent? Funds are fully expended.
 - a. What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds? Less than one year from bond commission approval.
- If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion
 or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed?
 Immediate needs throughout State Infrastructure due to failing septic systems.
 - a. Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium? Yes
- 7. For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed? No

Grants in aid for repair and reconstruction of flood damage in Bridgeport

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/24	FY25 Auth (Current Law)	Gov. Proposed Revision	FY 25 Net Auth (revised)
Grants in aid for repair and reconstruction of flood				
damage in Bridgeport	17,000,000	25,000,000		25,000,000

- 1. Do you need the unallocated balance? Yes
 - a. If so, for what purpose? This funding is reserved to match federal Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) program funding awarded to Connecticut for this project from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).
 - b. Within what time frame? The schedule for construction of Resilient Bridgeport is anticipated to last 36 months.
 - c. Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise? These funds would all be used for Resilient Bridgeport
- 2. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects. Resilient Bridgeport is ia Flood Risk Reduction Project (FRRP) focused on protecting homes, businesses and infrastructure in the South End of Bridgeport from chronic and acute flooding in order to foster long-term prosperity in the neighborhood.
- 3. Allocation of funds
 - a. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever? N/A

- b. Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when? $\ensuremath{\mathsf{N/A}}$
- 4. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds? N/A
- For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent?
 a. What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds?
- If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion
 or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed?
 N/A
 - a. Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium?
- 7. For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed? N/A

Grants-in-aid for containment, removal or mitigation of identified hazardous waste disposal sites

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/24	FY25 Auth (Current Law)	Gov. Proposed Revision	FY 25 Net Auth (revised)
Grants-in-aid for containment, removal or				
mitigation of identified hazardous waste disposal				
sites	33,018,000	17,000,000		17,000,000

- 1. Do you need the unallocated balance? Yes.
 - a. If so, for what purpose? Remedial construction cost-share and long-term operation of remedial systems, including completing obligations at properties undergoing investigation and cleanup for which the state has assumed those tasks either through court settlements or federal obligations.
 - Within what time frame? Current and on-going need. For the Yaworski Landfill the funds are needed by January 2025 to be ready for the 2025 construction season.
 Funds are also needed for the Raymark project in Stratford in the coming months.
- 2. Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise? Yes. Unallocated funds cover DEEP's 10% or 50% (depending upon ownership of property to be remediated) cost share with EPA and are needed to ensure remedy construction at critical projects (Durham Meadows Superfund Project, Durham, and Raymark Superfund Project, Stratford) remains on course, as multi-year construction continues.
 - a. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects.

Federal Superfund Sites in Connecticut – project information Barkhamsted-New Hartford Landfill Beacon Heights Landfill Durham Meadows Gallup's Quarry Kellogg-Deering Well Field Laurel Park Landfill Linemaster Switch Naval Submarine Base Precision Plating Raymark Industries Scovill Industrial Landfill Solvents Recovery Service Yaworski Waste Lagoon

- 3. Allocation of funds
 - a. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever? May of 2022 was the most recent funding request of Bond Commission for Raymark Superfund.
 - b. Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when? DEEP requested and was allocated \$3,482,000 in May 2022
- 4. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds? None
- 5. For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent? 95%
 - a. What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds? Time between allocations has varied, for example, since the Raymark Federal Superfund project has been a substantial recipient of BIL funds (\$400M+) which has deferred State cost share contributions, the final expenditure may be extended. Other projects may be 3-5 years between allocation and final expenditure. These are long-term projects.
- If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion
 or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed?
 N/A

Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium? \$4.5M anticipated to be requested Spring of 2024, and funds will be needed by summer 2024. A new request for an allocation of \$15 million is needed by January 2025 for construction of the closure remedy for the Yaworski Landfill, with construction starting I March 2025.

7. For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed? Expected annual amounts to cover State cost share portions has been much lower than anticipated due to BIL infusion, but federal funds are now close to being exhausted.

Grants-in-aid for identification, investigation, containment, removal or mitigation of contaminated industrial sites in urban areas

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/24	FY25 Auth (Current Law)	Gov. Proposed Revision	FY 25 Net Auth (revised)
Grants-in-aid for identification, investigation,				
containment, removal or mitigation of				
contaminated industrial sites in urban areas	6,900,000	2,500,000		2,500,000

1. Do you need the unallocated balance? Yes

a. If so, for what purpose? To implement the environmental investigation and cleanup of properties under the Urban Sites Remedial Action Program.

- a. Within what time frame? In consultation with DECD, projects are selected based on the level of risk posed to human health and the environment, and where economic development is planned. DEEP and DECD anticipate implementing 1 site per each FY.
- 2. Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise? DECD has a draft list of projects that will be proposed and recommended to DEEP in Q2 2024. Per program statutes, DEEP will request the State Bond Commission to approve funds for proposed projects. The draft list of projects is below.
 - a. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects. Bristol Babcock Site, Waterbury - \$4m ; Aerospace Metals, Hartford - \$4m
- 3. Allocation of funds
 - a. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever? \$6.8M in December of 2023
 - b. Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when? \$6.8M in December of 2023
- 4. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds? None
- 5. For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent? 50%
 - a. What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds? Varies by project, 1-4 years
- If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion
 or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed?
 N/A
 - a. Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium? Yes, requires consultation with DECD.
- 7. For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed? No

Grants-in-aid to municipalities for improvements to incinerators and landfills, including but not limited to bulky waste landfills

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/24	FY25 Auth (Current Law)	Gov. Proposed Revision	FY 25 Net Auth (revised)
Grants-in-aid to municipalities for improvements				
to incinerators and landfills, including but not				
limited to bulky waste landfills	5,800,000	-		-

1. Do you need the unallocated balance? Yes.

a. If so, for what purpose? Yes, for the former CRRA/MIRA landfills: the annual allocation from OPM for these properties provides coverage of personnel and routine operational expenses such as mowing, snowplowing access, compliance monitoring and permit required activities though is not sufficient to cover the costs of capital equipment such as pumping equipment, flares, collection systems equipment replacements and improvements. For the municipal

landfills: DEEP is approached by municipalities that have municipal landfills that have not yet been fully closed or for which closure has not yet been initiated. These municipalities lack sufficient funds to complete the regulatorily required closure actions. Historically DEEP has approved and supported such municipalities with partial coverage of the landfill closure costs.

- b. Within what time frame? For the former regional CRRA/MIRA landfills: These are regular ongoing capital equipment replacement requirements performed on an annual basis as well as anticipated capital improvements continually scheduled. For the municipal landfills these expenditures are scheduled based on local budget planning and needs. DEEP is not always able to anticipate the number and total value of the requests that will be received each year.
- 2. Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise? For the former regional CRRA/MIRA landfills: Once approved by the bond commission, funds will be assigned to projects ready to go.
- 3. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects. These funds are used for the ongoing obligations associated with the former CRRA landfills located in Hartford, Ellington, Shelton, Wallingford and Waterford. Municipal landfill actions covered under these grants include acquisition of suitable soils for cover materials, construction costs, air pollution abatement equipment and installation as well as water quality monitoring and maintenance of the landfill cap.
- 4. Allocation of funds
 - a. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever? December 2019
 - b. Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when? Yes, \$750,000 December 2019
- 5. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds? For the former regional CRRA/MIRA landfills: The Quarterly allocations from OPM for the CRRA/MIRA landfills post-closure care means that it is unpredictable when it will be necessary to request bond funds to supplement the annual allocation for maintenance expenditures.
- 6. For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent? N/A
- What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds? Typically within 3 –5 years.
- If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion
 or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed?
 N/A.
 - a. Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium? The continued funding of capital work is needed and the funds are needed on a regular basis. For the former CRRA/MIRA regional landfills: Yes, per the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 18 (GASB 18) the need to continue funding post-closure care of these properties continues in perpetuity. Yes, a number of municipal landfills remain unclosed and have an obligation to conduct the required closure actions. Many of these municipalities have expended the funds previously set

aside for the closure activities on other maintenance activities for the landfills they are obligated to environmentally maintain to protect public health and safety.

9. For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed? For the former CRRA/MIRA regional landfills the annual amounts needed are approximately \$2.5 million and have not changed and will continue. GASB 18 requires continual assurance of post-closure care for these properties. For municipal landfill closure assistance, the amount varies since the requests are submitted by the CEO and the costs for the closure activities varies. Usually the total allocations in a year amount to between \$500,000 and \$1.5M.

Grants-in-aid to municipalities for open space land acquisition and development for conservation or recreational purposes

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/24	FY25 Auth (Current Law)	Gov. Proposed Revision	FY 25 Net Auth (revised)
Grants-in-aid to municipalities for open space land				
acquisition and development for conservation or				
recreational purposes	32,000,000	10,000,000		10,000,000

- 1. Do you need the unallocated balance? Yes
 - a. If so, for what purpose? To cover future grant rounds. The next OSWA grant round will be announced in May/June 2024, and typical OSWA grant rounds award between \$7M and \$15M. The current grant round to be announced in May/June has the potential to award over \$15M with pending applications.
 - b. Within what time frame? The next OSWA grant round will be announced in May/June and will close in Q4 of CY 2024.
- 2. Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise? The 32M unallocated balance is not committed to previous projects and is available to cover future grant rounds.
 - a. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects.
- 3. Allocation of funds
 - a. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever? July 2022 \$10M
 - b. Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when? DEEP will likely seek a \$15M \$20M allocation to support the 2024 OSWA grant round.
- 4. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds? DEEP currently runs an annual grant round for OSWA. It is important to have funds allocated at the time of award, but land transactions often take years to close leading to a high allocated balances.
- 5. For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent? The last 5 years we have closed on projects totaling approximately \$ 4 million per year, but there are additional awarded projects well above that amount
 - a. What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds? OSWA projects typically take 1.5 to 2 years to close.

- If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion
 or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed?
 N/A
 - a. Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium? We anticipate a need for yearly authorizations because of yearly grant rounds
- 7. For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed? We expect the annual amounts to remain approximately the same.

Microgrid and resilience grant and loan program

Program	Unallocated	FY25 Auth (Current	Gov. Proposed	FY 25 Net Auth
	Balance 1/1/24	Law)	Revision	(revised)
Microgrid and resilience grant and loan program	20,000,000	25,000,000	5,000,000	30,000,000

- 1. Do you need the unallocated balance? Yes
 - a. If so, for what purpose? To continue efforts to provide grants to municipalities and other entities to plan, design, and construct resilience infrastructure.
 - b. Within what time frame? DEEP has already awarded \$8.8 million in planning and design grants to municipalities and nonprofits under its Climate Resilience Fund grant program and expects to launch another round of climate resilience grants in 2024. Depending on needs, the unallocated balance may be for additional design and planning funding or to match federal funding for the construction of gray, green, and blue infrastructure. DEEP also is seeking additional funding in 2024 (FY25) to support development of competitive resilience projects that can compete for federal resilience infrastructure funding.
- 2. Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise? Funds are available to meet emerging needs.
 - a. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects.
- 3. Allocation of funds
 - a. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever? Funds were last allocated Nov 15, 2016
 - **b.** Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when? There are no pending requests.
- 4. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds? None
- 5. For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent? No recent allocations.
 - a. What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds? Not applicable to the DEEP Climate Resilience Fund, which is in its inaugural round of funding. For the microgrid portion of the program historically final expenditures could take place one to five years later.
- 6. If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed? The Governor's proposed budget contains an additional \$5 million in bond funding for infrastructure improvements related to extreme heat. This funding would likely not be used until 2025 or later.

- a. Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium? Yes. About \$50 million overall has been authorized to the Microgrid and Resilience Grant and Loan program, which is the funding source for the DEEP Climate Resilience Fund. About \$12 million of this authorization is still unallocated. DEEP expects to continue providing grants to communities for climate resilience infrastructure to help municipalities become more resilient and to provide match for municipal applications for federal funds, thereby increasing the competitiveness of said applications.
- 7. For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed? No

Multi-Family Retrofitting Projects in Environmental Justice Communities

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/24	FY25 Auth (Current Law)	Gov. Proposed Revision	FY 25 Net Auth (revised)
Multi-Family Retrofitting Projects in Environmental				
Justice Communities	50,000,000	75,000,000		75,000,000

1. Do you need the unallocated balance?

Yes

a. If so, for what purpose?

To develop a revolving loan fund for energy retrofits in multi-family housing, including the purposes enumerated in C.G.S. section 8-240b of the 2024 supplement to the general statutes.

b. Within what time frame?

The statute currently requires DEEP to launch the program by July 1, 2024. DEEP has a pending agency bill, Senate Bill 301, which proposes to change a portion of the funding, \$20 million, to grant funding, and also proposes to change the implementation date to July 1, 2025.

2. Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise?

Funds are available for future needs, after DEEP completes stakeholder engagement and program design.

- a. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects.
- 3. Allocation of funds

They have not been.

- a. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever?
- b. Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when?

4. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds? This is for a new revolving loan fund program that needs to be designed and implemented. Stakeholder feedback is necessary to design an effective, efficient, and inclusive program.

- 5. For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent? $\ensuremath{\mathsf{N/A}}$
 - a. What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds?
 - If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion
 or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed?
 N/A

DEEP is planning to launch the program in July, 2025, and expects that the funds will be able to be used within a year or two of launch.

a. Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium?

DEEP will assess the demand after the program is developed and make recommendations then.

7. For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed?

PFAS - Grants-in-aid to municipalities for the purpose of providing potable water and for assessment and remedial action to address pollution from perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl containing substances

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/24	FY25 Auth (Current Law)	Gov. Proposed Revision	FY 25 Net Auth (revised)
PFAS - Grants-in-aid to municipalities for the				
purpose of providing potable water and for				
assessment and remedial action to address				
pollution from perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl				
containing substances	3,000,000	2,000,000		2,000,000

- 1. Do you need the unallocated balance? Yes
 - a. If so, for what purpose? The intended use of funds is to test private wells for perand polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in prioritized communities and provide bottled water and short-term treatment to wells found to exceed the DPH Drinking Water Action Levels. DEEP will also use funds to determine the source of PFAS pollution in order to both identify responsible parties and begin the remediation process. The FY22 allotment of fund is nearly exhausted (\$200k balance). Those funds have been used to continue private well testing in vulnerable communities, following efforts in Killingworth. Actions are consistent with the Governor's Interagency PFAS Task Force's PFAS Action Plan, dated November 1, 2019.
 - b. Within what time frame? Funding is needed as soon as requested to maintain environmental investigation activities, and provision of bottled water and water filtration systems; investigation of "green" foam cross contamination; AFFF takeback phase 2 activities.
- 2. Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise? Unallocated funds are designated for future use in vulnerable communities prioritized by DEEP based on the number and proximity of private wells to high-risk sources of PFAS pollution. Entities that are deemed by DEEP to be responsible for identified PFAS pollution will be assigned the obligation to further investigate the source area and design/implement a remedy.
 - a. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects. AFFF Take-Back Project; Purchase of new regional foam trailers; purchase of "green" foam; Vulnerability sampling of private wells at strategic neighborhoods located near firefighter training locations.
- 3. Allocation of funds
 - b. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever? June of 2023
 - c. Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when? \$1.15M requested in FY23

- 4. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds? None
- 5. For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent? None of the most recent allocation has been spent as of March 2023, however purchase order requisition is entered, and tasks are lined up to implement.
 - d. What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds? Varies, depending upon project. Immediate to 1 year.
- 6. If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed? These funds will be used to continue vulnerability sampling of private wells at strategic neighborhoods and treatment
 - e. Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium? Yes. DEEP expects a continued need for private well sampling and treatment in future years. DEEP is initiating targeted PFAS sampling of private wells in Spring 2024 within communities vulnerable to PFAS pollution and impacted wells will require treatment.
- 7. For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed? No.

Recreation and natural heritage trust program for recreation, open space, resource protection and resource management

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/24	FY25 Auth (Current Law)	Gov. Proposed Revision	FY 25 Net Auth (revised)
Recreation and natural heritage trust program for				
recreation, open space, resource protection and				
resource management	3,000,000	3,000,000		3,000,000

- 1. Do you need the unallocated balance? Yes
 - a. If so, for what purpose? For future acquisitions to support the State's open space goals – \$3+M in active projects plus ~\$6M in potential future projects for a total of \$9M in potential need over the next 15+ months.
 - b. Within what time frame? Active projects which could close over the next 6-12 months \$3M. Future projects ~\$6M
- Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise? The \$6M in unallocated authorizations is available to cover future projects.
 - a. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects.
- 3. Allocation of funds
 - a. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever? \$6M was allocated in June 2023
 - b. Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when? **\$6M was allocated in June 2023**
- 4. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds? Sometimes projects take quite a while to go from offer letter to closing. Often times up to a year.
- 5. For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent? N/A

- a. What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds? Project dependent. Sometimes projects take quite a bit of time to close after an offer letter has been made. Varies but could take up to a year to spend down the money.
- 6. If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed?
 - a. Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium? Yes, DEEP is regularly protecting land so will need continuous authorizations to continue that work.
- 7. For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed? No

Various flood control improvements, flood repair, erosion damage repairs and municipal dam repairs

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/24	FY25 Auth (Current Law)	Gov. Proposed Revision	FY 25 Net Auth (revised)
Various flood control improvements, flood repair,				
erosion damage repairs and municipal dam repairs	13,129,710	2,500,000		2,500,000

- 1. Do you need the unallocated balance? yes
 - a. If so, for what purpose? For the ongoing need to inspect and repair state owned repair flood control dams and associated infrastructure.
 - a. Within what time frame? This need is continual
- 2. Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise? No unallocated funds are obligated. However, these funds are required for future projects, either planned or time-critical.

a. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects.

- 3. Allocation of funds
 - a. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever? May 2022 \$3,470,000
 - b. Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when? \$3,470,000, May 2022. No requests pending.
- 4. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds? None
- 5. For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent?
 - a. What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds? Two years
- If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion
 or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed?
 N/A
 - a. Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium? Yes
- 7. For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed? No

Water system improvements in West Hartford

Program	Unallocated	FY25 Auth (Current	Gov. Proposed	FY 25 Net Auth
	Balance 1/1/24	Law)	Revision	(revised)
Water system improvements in West Hartford	30,000,000	-		-

- 1. Do you need the unallocated balance? Yes
 - a. If so, for what purpose? DEEP is working with the Town of West Hartford and the Metropolitain District Commission on various sewer, stormwater, and flooding issues in West Hartford. DEEP has also funded a \$700,000 engineering and preliminary design study for reducing flooding near Kennedy Brook and Kane Brook in both West Hartford and Hartford. The outcome of that study may further inform the use of this bond authorization.
 - b. Within what time frame? Additional clarity on timeframes will emerge from this study, which should take 18 months.
- 2. Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise? Funds will be available for projects
 - a. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects.
- 3. Allocation of funds
 - b. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever? N/A
 - c. Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when? $\ensuremath{\mathsf{N/A}}$
- 4. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds? N/A
- 5. For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent? N/A
 d. What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds?
- If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion
 or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed?
 N/A
 - e. Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium?
- 7. For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed? N/A

Clean Water Fund Revenue - Low-interest loans to towns

Program	Unallocated Balance 1/1/24	FY25 Auth (Current Law)	Gov. Proposed Revision	FY 25 Net Auth (revised)
Clean Water Fund Revenue - Low-interest loans to				
towns	1,014,000,000	25,000,000		25,000,000

- 1. Do you need the unallocated balance? Yes
 - a. If so, for what purpose? To fund remaining projects from the F22/23 CWF Priority List which are under agreement and projects expected to be funded from the draft, and soon to be final, FY24/25 Priority List, an additional \$440 million in estimated loans (derived from Revenue Bonding) will be expended to fund projects. Rev. bonding is critical to ensure that the Clean Water Fund, managed by the Office of the Treasurer, remains strong and capable of meeting Connecticut's wastewater infrastructure needs. These wastewater needs continue be significant, as evidenced by combined sewer system needs exacerbated during climate-induced rain events causing sewer overflows and backups. In addition to meeting critical water quality goals of the state, this funding

is necessary to address environmental justice issues which exist in CT's 4 cities (Hartford, Bridgeport, Norwich, New Haven) which have combined sewer systems.

- b. Within what time frame? As remaining projects on the current FY 22-23 CWF Priority List go under contract and the next FY24-25 CWF Priority List are implemented, additional Rev. Bonds will be needed to capitalize the Clean Water Fund. While the COVID-19 pandemic and associated supply chain issues had slowed many construction-ready Clean Water projects in the past few years, DEEP is seeing projects schedules to pick back up and plans to fund a robust number of Clean Water projects.
- 2. Are the unallocated funds obligated, designated, or otherwise attached to projects, or are funds available for future needs as they arise? Yes. These funds will be the support for the current and next CWF Priority List. Having these funds available ensures municipalities that the state will be able to partner in their efforts to update public sewer infrastructure.
 - a. If attached to projects, please provide information on the projects.

Please see the FY22-23 Priority List and Draft FY24-25 Priority List: https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/DEEP/water/municipal wastewater/FINAL-PL-FY22-23-August-24-2022.pdf https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/DEEP/water/municipal wastewater/FY24-25-DRAFT-Priority-List.pdf

- 3. Allocation of funds
 - a. When was the last time funds for the program were allocated, if ever? Rev. Bonds were last approved on 6/26/2019 for \$272,500,000 and allotted on 8/1/2019.
 - b. Have the funds been requested for allocation by the bond commission? If so, how much and when? See above.
- 4. What impediments, if any, have there been in accessing and using the bond funds? A low interest rate environment in the last few years resulted in a slowdown in municipal project pursuit of Clean Water Fund loans. With current and future interest rates above 2%, this impediment is not expected to recur within the FY22/23 and FY24/25 PL funding period.
- 5. For programs with recent allocations, what portion of the allocation has been spent?
 - a. What is the typical time between allocation and final expenditure of the funds? The typical timeline can be several years as Clean Water projects are large engineered public infrastructure projects.
- If increased bond authorizations have been proposed for the program for FY 25, what expansion
 or increase of projects is expected and how quickly are the new funds anticipated to be needed?
 N/A
 - a. Do you anticipate a further need for new authorizations past the biennium? *The need* for new authorizations past the biennium will be necessary. Connecticut is in need of continuing to improve our wastewater infrastructure to address water quality issues and to ensure our infrastructure is resilient to the effects of climate change.
- 7. For ongoing programs, have the expected annual amounts changed? No