

Date: April 24, 2015

To: Chief Elected Official, Water Pollution Control Authority, Superintendent, Consulting Engineer, and Regional Planning Organization

From: George V. Hicks, P.E., Supervising Sanitary Engineer, Municipal Facilities

Re: Wastewater Infrastructure Improvements for Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 and FY 2017 Clean Water Fund Priority List

Overview:

The Department of Energy & Environmental Protection (DEEP) is preparing the Clean Water Fund (CWF) Priority List covering FY 2016 and FY 2017 (7/1/15 – 6/30/17) and are requesting that you review and update the information which is currently on file.

Verify Project Needs:

- If your project is on the current FY 2014 & FY 2015 Priority List, please review costs and schedule and update the information for our records. The Priority List can be viewed at www.ct.gov/deep/cleanwaterfund and by clicking on “Final FY 2014 & FY 2015 Priority List”.
- If a project has been constructed through funds other than the CWF, please inform this office of this fact as well.
- Review your community’s needs for funding between now and July 1, 2017 and submit the attached form to DEEP. If there has been any change in cost or schedule, please let us know.
- Please submit the attached form by May 26, 2015.

How to Contact Us:

The attached form and any additional information should be submitted to Ivonne Hall via mail at CT DEEP, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106-5127 or via email at ivonne.hall@ct.gov. If you have any questions, please call George Hicks at 860-424-3752.

What Happens Next?

From the information that you submit, a project priority point evaluation will be made by DEEP based upon the criteria in the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies. If you are requesting construction funding, it is critical that you provide a realistic schedule that factors in review and approval of the construction plans and specifications by local boards and the DEEP, acquisition of all local and state permits, time required to appropriate local funding, and time to bid the project.

Please be aware that in addition to construction financing which is based upon the priority points of the project, there are numerous funding reserves which are not awarded on priority points. Each funding reserve is for a particular purpose and is set at a level which balances the demand and availability of funding. Therefore, it is important for all projects, regardless of size or anticipated priority points, to be submitted to DEEP for our consideration.

A copy of the draft priority list and the public notice of the hearing will be distributed and posted as soon as they become available.