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MEMORANDUM

TO: David K. Paylor, DEQ Director

FROM: Valerie Thomson, Director of Administration 

DATE: November 23, 2021

SUBJECT: Authorization of FY 2021 SLAF Project Funding List

Purpose

In order to reduce pollution from stormwater runoff, the Virginia General Assembly created and set forth specific parameters for the administration of the Stormwater Local Assistance Fund (SLAF) in 2013. The purpose of the Fund is to provide matching grants to local governments for the planning, design, and implementation of stormwater best management practices that address cost efficiency and commitments related to reducing water quality pollutant loads. In accordance with that legislation, the State Water Control Board approved Guidelines for the implementation of the SLAF program in 2013 and those Guidelines were revised by the Board in December 2016. The Guidelines call for an annual solicitation of applications, an application review and ranking process, and the authorization of a Project Funding List by the DEQ Director. Through the first six rounds of SLAF funding, you have authorized 240 projects totaling approximately \$113 million. A seventh solicitation for SLAF applications was recently conducted for FY 2021 and the applications received have been evaluated in accordance with the approved Guidelines. This memorandum informs you of the results of the evaluation process and the staff recommendations for the authorization of projects to be included in the FY 2021 Project Funding List.

Applications Received

On June 7, 2021, staff solicited SLAF applications from all local governments in the Commonwealth. July 30, 2021 was established as the deadline for submitting applications. Based on this solicitation, DEQ received applications from 25 localities for 49 stormwater projects and three nutrient credit projects totaling \$36,544,743.

Funding Availability for FY 2021

In FY 2021, \$50,000,000 in SLAF funding was provided to DEQ and will be available for FY 2021 projects.

Application Evaluation

All 49 stormwater projects and three nutrient credit applications were evaluated in accordance with the program's eligibility requirements and priority ranking criteria. As stated, the funding amount requested for the projects totaled \$36,544,743, less than the \$50,000,000 currently available.

In accordance with the SLAF Guidelines, the project funding list was drafted to provide the greatest financial and environmental benefit to as many communities as possible. Additionally, the minimum and maximum grant amounts may be adjusted at the discretion of the Director. Due to the amount of available funding exceeding the amount of requests, the program is recommending suspending the locality maximum in FY21. This suspension would result in one locality, Fairfax County receiving a total authorization of \$9,698,650 funding five projects. It should be noted that these five projects rank in the top eight on the Project Funding List and are estimated to remove 4,247 pounds of total phosphorus, accounting for just under half of the pounds of total phosphorus removed by the full list. Two projects were determined to be ineligible for funding because they exceeded the established maximum cost of \$50,000 per pound of phosphorus removed.

After the initial review and ranking of the applications, it was determined that a number of projects should be further evaluated with site visits. As a result of those visits and additional evaluation, each of the projects is recommended for authorization.

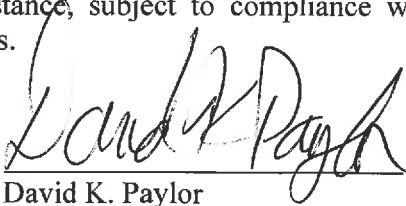
Conclusion and Staff Recommendation

After an evaluation of eligibility, priority ranking, and funding availability, along with site visits that were conducted at a number of projects, the proposed Project Funding List for this seventh round of SLAF funding includes 47 stormwater projects and three nutrient credit purchases in 25 localities totaling \$34,330,827.

The staff recommends that the DEQ Director authorize the Project Funding List which includes localities/projects for SLAF matching grant assistance, subject to compliance with the program requirements and the receipt of construction bids.

Action approved
as recommended

Authorized by:



David K. Paylor
Director, DEQ

**STORMWATER LOCAL ASSISTANCE FUND
FY 2021 PROJECT FUNDING LIST**

LOCALITY	PROJECT NAME	AMOUNT FUNDED
Fairfax County	Rabbit Branch Tributary at Collingham Drive	\$3,495,750
Fairfax County	Scotts Run at Old Meadow Run Park	\$1,093,100
City of Petersburg	Fleets Branch Stream Restoration Phase 2	\$497,523
Fairfax County	Piney Run at Lake Werowance	\$2,405,300
City of Harrisonburg	Blacks Run South Stream Restoration	\$1,402,018
Fairfax County	Accotink Tributary at Danbury Forest	\$1,587,800
Henrico County	Adams Elementary School Stream Restoration	\$197,495
Fairfax County	Leigh Meadow and Towlston Basin and Stream Restoration Project	\$1,116,700
Augusta County	Moffett Branch Restoration	\$926,325
City of Suffolk	Hydrodynamic Separator at Suffolk Seaboard Railroad Museum	\$195,237
Town of Christiansburg	Christiansburg Industrial Park Channel Restoration	\$283,455
City of Waynesboro	Hopeman Station Detention Pond Conversion	\$525,000
Loudoun County	Nutrient Credit Purchase	\$214,500
Augusta County	Cold Springs Nutrient Credit Purchase Phase 1	\$205,242
Augusta County	Cold Springs Nutrient Credit Purchase Phase 2	\$197,497
Town of Vinton	Woodland Place Stream Restoration	\$285,000
Town of Vienna	Hunters Branch Phase 2	\$960,000
City of Roanoke	Garnand Branch Stream Restoration	\$754,595
City of Manassas	Lucasville Regional Stormwater Facility Retrofit	\$773,915
Prince William County	Chinn Park Stream Restoration	\$541,406
Henrico County	Lake Overton Retrofit and Dam Improvements	\$415,000
City of Fredericksburg	Smith Run Pond D Retrofit	\$977,783
James City County	Ney Court Stream Restoration	\$220,579
Henrico County	Hidden Creek Park Stream Restoration	\$534,770
County of Roanoke	Restoration of Wolf Creek Phase 2	\$350,000
City of Newport News	Brick Church Road Level 2 Wet Pond	\$1,080,697
City of Norfolk	Granby Park Living Shoreline	\$103,856
Henrico County	Wilder Middle School Stream Restoration	\$320,746
Loudoun County	Willow Lake BMP Retrofits	\$740,625
Henrico County	Deitrick Road Outfall Stabilization	\$113,707
Town of Herndon	Sugarland Run South	\$830,000
City of Norfolk	Pleasant Point Living Shoreline	\$243,806
James City County	Collington Court Stream Restoration	\$171,506
City of Fairfax	Stafford Drive Stream Restoration	\$1,175,000
City of Fairfax	Outfall and Gully Stabilization Projects	\$477,580
Town of Leesburg	Town Branch Stream Restoration	\$1,000,000
Town of Warrenton	Trib to Cedar Run Stream Restoration	\$991,185
Loudoun County	Countryside Outfall Restoration	\$295,625
York County	Larkin Run Stream Restoration	\$460,000
Prince William County	Chinn Park Stormwater Management Facility Retrofit	\$370,755
City of Norfolk	Meadow Lake Retrofit	\$339,937
City of Williamsburg	Port Anne Outfall Stabilization and Stream Restoration	\$191,814
York County	Country Lane Stream Restoration	\$471,023
Prince William County	Stormwater Management Facility #386	\$382,767
City of Newport News	Governor Drive Stream Restoration & BMP	\$794,920
Loudoun County	Confluence Park Outfall Stabilization	\$218,000
James City County	Tewning BMP Retrofit	\$218,334
City of Fairfax	Ashby Pond Conservancy Wet Pond Enhancement	\$588,231
James City County	Grove Water Quality Improvements	\$317,344
City of Fredericksburg	Village of Idlewild Stream Restoration	\$2,277,379
TOTAL FUNDED		\$34,330,827