

**FINAL STATE FISCAL YEAR 2025 (SFY25) CLEAN WATER BUDGET as passed on (06/06/24).**  
**Recommended by the Clean Water Board on (12/5/2023) and Recommended by the Governor on (01/23/2024)**

| No.   | Agency  | Activity   | SFY25 BASE FUNDS  |  |  |                     | SFY25 ONE-TIME FUNDS               |  |  |                         | SFY25 Total Compared to SFY24 Total |  |                               |
|---|---|--|-------------------|--|--|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
|   |   |  | Clean Water Fund  | Capital Bill (SFY25 Capital Budget Target = \$6M) <sup>1</sup> | Filling the \$4m Base Gap from SFY25 Capital Bill with Clean Water Fund Unallocated/Unreserved | Subtotal Base Funds | SFY25 Compared to SFY24 Base Funds | Clean Water Fund Prior Year Unallocated/Unreserved | American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) <sup>2</sup> | Subtotal One-Time Funds |                                     | SFY25 Compared to SFY24 One-Time Funds | Total SFY25 (Base + One-Time) |
| <b>Clean Water Budget Statutory Priority Tier 1 (Items of Equal Priority)</b> |   |  |                   |  |  |                     |                                    |  |  |                         |                                     |  |                               |
| 1.1   | ANR-DEC (CWIP)  | Water Quality Restoration Formula Grants to Clean Water Service Providers & O&M    | 7,210,000         |  |  | 7,210,000           |                                    | 1,150,000  | 1,150,000                                    |                         | 8,360,000                           |  |                               |
| 1.2   | ANR-DEC (CWIP)  | Basin Planning, Basin Water Quality Council Participation, Education, and Outreach | 750,000           |  |  | 750,000             | 100,000                            |  |  |                         | 750,000                             | 100,000                                |                               |
| 1.3   | <b>Water Quality Enhancement Grants</b>   |  |                   |  |  |                     |                                    |  |  |                         |                                     |  |                               |
| 1.31  | ANR-DEC (CWIP)  | Statewide Non-regulatory Clean Water Projects                                      | 5,000,000         |  |  | 5,000,000           |                                    |  |  |                         | 5,000,000                           |  |                               |
| 1.32  | VHCB  | Land Conservation and Water Quality Projects                                       |                   |  | 2,000,000  | 2,000,000           |                                    |  |  |                         | 2,000,000                           |  |                               |
| 1.4   | AAFM  | Water Quality Grants to Partners and Farmers                                       | 6,696,887         | 550,000  | 1,200,000  | 8,446,887           | 426,238                            | 213,113  |  | 213,113                 | 8,660,000                           | (2,360,649)                            |                               |
| 1.5   | <b>Agency and Partner Operating Support</b>   |  |                   |  |  |                     |                                    |  |  |                         |                                     |  |                               |
| 1.51  | AAFM  | Program Support  | 900,000           |  |  | 900,000             | 33,750                             |  |  |                         | 900,000                             | 33,750                                 |                               |
| 1.52  | ANR-DEC (CWIP)  | Program and Partner Support  | 930,000           |  |  | 930,000             | (23,750)                           | 700,000  |  | 700,000                 | 298,750                             | 275,000                                |                               |
| <b>Tier 1 SUBTOTAL</b>  |   |  | <b>21,496,887</b> | <b>550,000</b>   | <b>3,200,000</b>   | <b>25,236,887</b>   | <b>636,238</b>                     | <b>2,063,113</b>                                   |  | <b>2,063,113</b>        | <b>(2,488,137)</b>                  | <b>27,300,000</b>                      | <b>(1,851,899)</b>            |
| <b>Tier 1 % of Total</b>  |   |  | <b>83%</b>        | <b>9%</b>  | <b>80%</b>   | <b>71%</b>          |                                    | <b>54%</b>   |  | <b>54%</b>              |                                     | <b>69%</b>                             |                               |
| <b>Clean Water Budget Statutory Priority Tier 2 (Items of Equal Priority)</b> |   |  |                   |  |  |                     |                                    |  |  |                         |                                     |  |                               |
| 2.1   | <b>Outreach and implementation of Foresty Acceptable Management Practices for Maintaining Water Quality</b> |  |                   |  |  |                     |                                    |  |  |                         |                                     |  |                               |
| 2.11  | ANR-FPR   | Forestry Water Quality Practices and Portable Sluice Bridges                       | 144,000           |  |  | 144,000             | 387                                |  |  |                         | 144,000                             | 387                                    |                               |
| 2.12  | ANR-FPR   | Implement BMPs at State Forests, Parks, and Recreational Access Roads              |                   | 500,000  |  | 500,000             |                                    |  |  |                         | 500,000                             |  |                               |
| 2.2   | <b>Municipal Stormwater Implementation</b>  |  |                   |  |  |                     |                                    |  |  |                         |                                     |  |                               |
| 2.21  | VTrans  | Municipal Roads Grants-in-Aid (MRGP)   | 3,000,000         |  |  | 3,000,000           |                                    |  |  |                         | 3,000,000                           |  |                               |
| 2.22  | VTrans  | Municipal Better Roads (MRGP)  | 1,000,000         |  |  | 1,000,000           |                                    | 1,000,000  |  | 1,000,000               | 2,000,000                           | 1,000,000                              |                               |
| 2.23  | VTrans  | Missisquoi Bay Federal Earmark (Non-Federal Match) <sup>3</sup>                    |                   |  |  |                     |                                    |  |  | (1,000,000)             |                                     | (1,000,000)                            |                               |
| 2.24  | ANR-DEC (CWIP)  | Municipal Three-Acre General Permit and MS4 <sup>4</sup>                           |                   |  |  |                     | (1,000,000)                        |  |  | (7,000,000)             |                                     | (8,000,000)                            |                               |
| 2.3   | VHCB  | Water Quality Farm Improvement and Retirement Projects                             |                   | 800,000  |  | 800,000             |                                    |  |  |                         | 800,000                             |  |                               |
| 2.4   | ANR-DEC (CWIP)  | Innovative or Alternative Technologies or Practices to Improve Water Quality       |                   |  |  |                     |                                    | 750,000  |  | 750,000                 | 550,000                             | 750,000                                |                               |
| <b>Tier 2 SUBTOTAL</b>  |   |  | <b>4,144,000</b>  | <b>500,000</b>   | <b>800,000</b>   | <b>5,484,000</b>    | <b>(999,613)</b>                   | <b>1,750,000</b>                                   |  | <b>1,750,000</b>        | <b>(6,450,000)</b>                  | <b>7,244,000</b>                       | <b>(7,449,613)</b>            |
| <b>Tier 2 % of Total</b>  |   |  | <b>16%</b>        | <b>9%</b>  | <b>20%</b>   | <b>15%</b>          |                                    | <b>46%</b>   |  | <b>46%</b>              |                                     | <b>18%</b>                             |                               |
| <b>Clean Water Budget Statutory Priority Tier 3</b>                           |   |  |                   |  |  |                     |                                    |  |  |                         |                                     |  |                               |
| 3.1   | ANR-DEC (WIFP)  | Developed Lands Implementation Grants <sup>5</sup>                                 |                   |  |  |                     |                                    |  |  |                         |                                     |  |                               |
| <b>Tier 3 SUBTOTAL</b>  |   |  |                   |  |  |                     |                                    |  |  |                         |                                     |  |                               |
| <b>Tier 3 % of Total</b>  |   |  | <b>0%</b>         | <b>0%</b>  | <b>0%</b>  | <b>0%</b>           |                                    | <b>0%</b>  |  | <b>0%</b>               |                                     | <b>0%</b>                              |                               |
| <b>Clean Water Budget Other Priorities</b>                                    |   |  |                   |  |  |                     |                                    |  |  |                         |                                     |  |                               |
| 4.1   | ANR-DEC (Lakes)   | Lakes in Crisis Fund   | 120,000           |  |  | 120,000             |                                    |  |  |                         | 120,000                             |  |                               |
| 4.2   | Aoa   | Stormwater Utility Payments (\$25K each)   | 25,000            |  |  | 25,000              | 25,000                             |  |  | (100,000)               | 25,000                              | (75,000)                               |                               |
| 4.3   | ACCD  | Better Connections and Downtown Transportation Fund                                |                   |  |  |                     |                                    |  |  |                         |                                     |  |                               |
|   | <b>Capital Bill Priorities</b>  |  |                   |  |  |                     |                                    |  |  |                         |                                     |  |                               |
| 4.4   | ANR-DEC (WIFP)  | State Match to Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Federal Grant <sup>6</sup> | 1,600,000         |  |  | 1,600,000           | 1,267,019                          |  |  |                         | 1,600,000                           | 1,267,019                              |                               |
| 4.5   | ANR-DEC (WIFP)  | Municipal Pollution Control Grants   | 3,300,000         |  |  | 3,300,000           | (700,000)                          |  |  |                         | 3,300,000                           | (700,000)                              |                               |
| <b>Other SUBTOTAL</b>   |   |  | <b>145,000</b>    | <b>4,900,000</b>   |  | <b>5,045,000</b>    | <b>892,019</b>                     |  |  |                         | <b>(100,000)</b>                    | <b>5,045,000</b>                       | <b>492,019</b>                |
| <b>Other % of Total</b>   |   |  | <b>0.6%</b>       | <b>82%</b>   | <b>0%</b>  | <b>14%</b>          |                                    | <b>0%</b>  |  | <b>0%</b>               |                                     | <b>13%</b>                             |                               |
|   |   | <b>Total Proposed for Appropriation<sup>7</sup></b>                                | <b>28,778,887</b> | <b>6,000,000</b>   | <b>4,000,000</b>   | <b>38,778,887</b>   | <b>128,644</b>                     | <b>3,813,113</b>                                   |  | <b>3,813,113</b>        | <b>(9,038,137)</b>                  | <b>39,889,000</b>                      | <b>(8,909,493)</b>            |
|   |   | Anticipated SFY25 Revenue/Sources  | 25,496,887        | 6,000,000  |  | 31,496,887          |                                    |  |  |                         |                                     | 31,496,887                             |                               |
|   |   | Estimated Unallocated/Unreserved Clean Water Fund Revenue                          | 280,000           |  | 4,000,000  | 4,280,000           |                                    | 4,161,669  |  | 4,161,669               |                                     | 8,441,669                              |                               |
|   |   | <b>Anticipated Total Available<sup>8</sup></b>                                     | <b>25,776,887</b> | <b>6,000,000</b>   | <b>4,000,000</b>   | <b>35,776,887</b>   |                                    | <b>4,161,669</b>                                   |  | <b>4,161,669</b>        |                                     | <b>39,937,556</b>                      |                               |
|   |   | Balance=Total Available-Total Requested  |                   |  |  |                     |                                    | 348,556  |  | 348,556                 |                                     | 348,556                                |                               |

**Final SFY 2025 Clean Water Budget Recommendation by Agency**

| Agency  | SFY25 BASE FUNDS  |  |  |                     | SFY25 ONE-TIME FUNDS              |  |  |                         | SFY25 Total Compared to SFY24 Total |  |                               |                    |
|---|-------------------|--|--|---------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|--------------------|
|   | Clean Water Fund  | Capital Bill (SFY25 Capital Budget Target = \$6M) <sup>1</sup> | Filling the \$4m Base Gap from SFY25 Capital Bill with Clean Water Fund Unallocated/Unreserved | Subtotal Base Funds | SFY25 Base Compared to SFY24 Base | Clean Water Fund Prior Year Unallocated/Unreserved | American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) <sup>2</sup> | Subtotal One-Time Funds |                                     | SFY25 Compared to SFY24 One-Time Funds | Total SFY25 (Base + One-Time) |                    |
| AAFM  | 7,598,887         | 550,000  | 1,200,000  | 9,348,887           | 459,088                           | 213,113  |  | 213,113                 | (2,786,887)                         | 9,560,000                              | (2,328,890)                   |                    |
| ACCD  |                   |  |  |                     |                                   |  |  |                         |                                     |  |                               |                    |
| ANR (DEC)   | 14,010,000        | 4,900,000  |  | 18,910,000          | (356,731)                         | 2,600,000  |  | 2,600,000               | (6,151,250)                         | 21,510,000                             | (6,507,081)                   |                    |
| ANR (FPR)   | 144,000           | 500,000  |  | 694,000             | 387                               |  |  |                         |                                     | 694,000                                | 387                           |                    |
| Aoa   | 25,000            |  |  | 25,000              | 25,000                            |  |  |                         | (100,000)                           | 25,000                                 | (75,000)                      |                    |
| VHCB  |                   |  | 2,800,000  | 2,800,000           |                                   |  |  |                         |                                     | 2,800,000                              |                               |                    |
| VTrans  | 4,000,000         |  |  | 4,000,000           |                                   | 1,000,000  |  | 1,000,000               |                                     | 5,000,000                              |                               |                    |
| <b>Total Proposed for Appropriation<sup>7</sup></b> | <b>28,778,887</b> | <b>6,000,000</b>   | <b>4,000,000</b>   | <b>38,778,887</b>   | <b>128,644</b>                    | <b>3,813,113</b>                                   |  | <b>3,813,113</b>        |                                     | <b>(9,038,137)</b>                     | <b>39,889,000</b>             | <b>(8,909,493)</b> |

**Footnotes:**

- The Capital Bill operates on a biennial basis, with the 2023 Capital Bill covering SFY24-25. The Capital Bill "as passed" (Act 69 of 2023) reduced the SFY25 total for allocation by the Clean Water Board in the SFY25 Clean Water Budget from the roughly \$10-12 million target to \$6 million.
- The State of Vermont Legislature appropriated American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to be recommended for allocation by the Clean Water Board in SFY22, SFY23, and SFY24. ARPA funds are no longer available in SFY25. The ARPA column is included in this SFY25 Clean Water Budget sheet for purposes of comparison to the SFY24 Clean Water Budget.
- The "Missisquoi Bay Federal Earmark (Non-Federal Match)" line item was a one-time expense in SFY24 and is not needed to continue in SFY25. It is included here for purposes of comparison between SFY24 and SFY25. See SFY24 Clean Water Budget materials for more information.
- The "Municipal Three-Acre General Permit and MS4" line item was primarily funded with American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) dollars, no longer available in SFY25, but will be encumbered/expended through December 2026. In SFY25, activities previously supported by this line item will transition to a combination of Lake Champlain Basin Program federal funding and CWSRF financing.
- Three-Acre General Permit projects, which are the focus of the "Developed Lands Implementation Grants" line item, were primarily funded with American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) dollars. ARPA dollars are no longer available for budgeting in SFY25, but will be encumbered/expended through December 2026. Three-Acre General Permit projects will eventually transition to a financing structure.
- The SFY24 Appropriations Bill as enacted (Act 78 of 2023) established a "Cash Fund for Capital and Essential Investments" to cover required state match to secure Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) resources through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF). In SFY25, \$2,208 million in match has been authorized by the General Assembly under the SFY25 Capital Bill from the Cash Fund to draw down BIL CWSRF resources.
- The SFY24 Clean Water Budget total amount proposed for appropriation was \$48,498,493, shown here for purposes of comparison between SFY24 and SFY25 Clean Water Budgets. In addition to the total proposed for appropriation, \$2 million were transferred in the SFY24 Clean Water Budget to the Clean Water Fund Contingency Risk Reserve. Total SFY24 Clean Water Budget appropriations and transfers was \$50,498,493.
- Projected SFY25 Clean Water Fund revenue are based on the consensus revenue forecast adopted by the Vermont Emergency Board at its January 2024 meeting, summarized in the February 2024 Clean Water Fund operating statement. Unallocated/unreserved Clean Water Fund revenue are determined based on the difference between total revenue and total appropriations based on updated current year revenue forecast also adopted by the Vermont Emergency Board at its January 2024 meeting, and summarized in the February 2024 Clean Water Fund operating statement.

**Total SFY24 and SFY25 Clean Water Budget Appropriations**

| Funding Source                                    | SFY24             | SFY25             | SFY25 Compared to SFY24 |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Clean Water Fund Revenue                          | 25,762,243        | 25,775,887        | 13,644                  |
| Capital Bill                                      | 9,885,000         | 6,000,000         | (3,885,000)             |
| Clean Water Fund Revenue - Unallocated/Unreserved |                   | 4,000,000         | 4,000,000               |
| <b>Base Appropriation Subtotal</b>                | <b>35,647,243</b> | <b>35,775,887</b> | <b>128,644</b>          |
| ARPA  | 10,000,000        |                   | (10,000,000)            |
| Clean Water Fund Revenue - Unallocated/Unreserved | 2,851,250         | 3,813,113         | 961,863                 |
| <b>One-Time Appropriation Subtotal</b>            | <b>12,851,250</b> | <b>3,813,113</b>  | <b>(9,038,137)</b>      |
| <b>Total Appropriation</b>                        | <b>48,498,493</b> | <b>39,889,000</b> | <b>(8,909,493)</b>      |