



**TO: JIM GRAY, MAYOR  
URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**FROM: CHARLIE LANTER, DIRECTOR  
DIVISION OF GRANTS AND SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

**DATE: MAY 31, 2017**

**SUBJECT: SOUTH ELKHORN WATERSHED GRANT APPLICATION**

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**Request:** Request Council authorization to submit an application requesting federal funds in the amount of \$120,000 from the Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet/Department for Environmental Protection/Kentucky Division of Water for the South Elkhorn Watershed Management Plan.

**Why are you requesting?** The Division of Water Quality has prepared an application for submission to the Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet/Department for Environmental Protection/Kentucky Division of Water requesting federal funds in the amount of \$120,000 for the South Elkhorn Watershed Management Plan. The goal of this project is the development of a watershed plan that the LFUCG can implement to reduce nonpoint source pollution in South Elkhorn Creek. Project objectives include the compilation of all existing data on pollutants and identification of reductions and critical areas, the participation and education of the public regarding development of the watershed plan, and implementation of plan as funding is available.

Federal funds will be used for contractual services to provide project management and report preparation, implementation of stream walk events, and monitoring activities (data analysis, field studies, habitat assessments, monitoring plan, Quality Assurance Project Plan development, sediment load evaluations, karst investigations, and pollutant load calculations and reductions). The source of federal funds is the Environmental Protection Agency's Section 319(h) Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Program.

**What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?** Federal funds requested are \$120,000. Grant match in the amount of \$80,000 (40%) is required and is budgeted in 4051-313201-3092-76101 in the FY18 budget.

**Are the funds budgeted?** A budget amendment will be completed if funding is awarded. Total project cost is \$200,000.

**File Number:** 0641-17

**Director/Commissioner:** ~~Plueger/Hoskins-Squier~~

  
Charlie Lanter, Director

