

GRANT AWARD AGREEMENT

Fiscal Year 2017 Class B Education Incentive Grant Project

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into on the 23rd day of February, 2017, by and between the **LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT (LFUCG)**, an urban county government of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, pursuant to KRS Chapter 67A (hereinafter "Government"), on behalf of its Division of Water Quality, and **Bluegrass Greensource, Inc.**, 835 National Avenue, Lexington, Kentucky 40502 (hereinafter "Grantee").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Grantee is a documented fee-payer of the Government's Water Quality Management Fee; and

WHEREAS, the Grantee has proposed a need for the funds requested to develop and implement a proposed project by submitting a valid grant application; and

WHEREAS, the Grantee's grant application has been reviewed and selected for funding by the LFUCG Water Quality Fees Board in accordance with Sections 16-408 and 16-410 of the LFUCG Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the Government has funds available through the Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant Program to assist qualified Grantee in the development and implementation of projects that meet the goals of the program; and

WHEREAS, the Grantee desires to implement a specific project that meets one or more Incentive Grant program goals to improve water quality, reduce stormwater runoff, and provide public or private education related to stormwater quality; and

WHEREAS, any such improvements funded by the Government shall benefit the public through installed improvements and/or educational programming;

THAT FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION OF THE MUTUAL PROMISES AND COVENANTS HEREIN EXPRESSED, GOVERNMENT AND GRANTEE AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) Government hereby grants the Grantee the sum of **\$27,135.23** (hereinafter "the Grant"), for use in implementing the project elements as listed in Attachment A which is incorporated herein by reference as if fully set out herein.
- (2) The Grantee shall provide equal opportunity in employment for all qualified persons; prohibit discrimination in employment because of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, age between 40 and 70 or disability; promote equal employment through a positive, continuing program of equal employment; and cause each of its subcontractors to do so. This program of equal employment opportunity shall apply to every aspect of its employment policies and practices.
- (3) The Grantee agrees to match the Grant above the first \$2,500.00, with contributions, labor and other services equal to or greater than 50% of the total project costs.
- (4) The Grantee agrees to use the Grant only for the activities set forth in Attachment A.

- (5) The Grantee agrees to perform periodic reporting as detailed in Paragraph 6 herein below, and produce a Project Final Report within 30 calendar days of the completion of the project elements in digital and hard copy following a standardized format to be provided by the Government summarizing all work completed and detailing the total expenditures, grant reimbursements, and match.
- (6) The Grant to the Grantee shall be disbursed in the following manner:
- (a) The Grantee shall submit at least once every 3 months, if not specified otherwise in Attachment A, a Request for Funds to the Government's Grant Manager designated by the Director of the Division of Water Quality for the project. Each Request for Funds shall include documentation that the Grantee has already expended the requested funds or shall be in a position to expend properly the requested funds within thirty (30) days of receipt of the funds. The Request for Funds shall include full accounting of these eligible grant-related expenses, as listed in Attachment A. Copies of invoices, purchase orders, or receipts showing vendor, date, amount, and items purchased or ordered shall be provided with the Request for Funds. For project specific personnel costs and stipends, documentation of all billed hours shall include copies of employee timesheets, hourly payroll rate, and description of work performed for hours billed.
 - (b) Each Request for Funds shall be accompanied by a Project Status Report describing the progress of the project to date, including a description and schedule of all activities completed, and hardcopy or electronic copies of materials completed and/or used to date. For educational events, copies of the class rosters or sign-in sheets documenting the number of attendees and evaluation forms shall be provided.
 - (c) Each Request for Funds shall include documentation of all of the Grantee's Match Costs listed in Attachment A and claimed for the prior period. For cash expenditures this shall include receipts, showing vendor paid, date, amount, and items purchased. For donated project specific personnel costs and stipends, documentation of all billed hours shall include copies of employee timesheets, hourly payroll rate, and description of work performed for hours donated. For in-kind volunteer hours this shall include sign-in sheets describing the events with signatures, name, address, time in, time out, for each participant (volunteers must be 12 years of age or older). For mileage, this shall include driver name, type of vehicle, location to and from, date, and total miles driven.
 - (d) The Government's Grant Manager shall review each Request for Funds and supporting documents for compliance with the terms of this Agreement and the guidelines of the Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant Program. If the Grant Manager finds the Grantee's Request for Funds is in compliance with the terms of this Agreement and the guidelines of the Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant Program and that the activity progress and management program of the Grantee satisfy the terms of the grant award, he or she shall approve the Request for Funds and forward it to the Division of Accounting for payment
 - (e) Should the Government's Incentive Grant Program Administrator determine that the Grantee is not in compliance with the terms of this Agreement and/or the Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant Program, including deficiencies in progress and management of the project, the Division of Water Quality shall notify the Mayor's Office and the appropriate district Council person and shall meet with the Grantee on matters that prevent approval of the Request for Funds. Failure to resolve any such matters to the satisfaction of the Government may lead to termination of the Agreement for cause pursuant to Paragraph 11 herein below.
 - (f) The Government shall release payment of the final 5% of the Grant only after receipt and acceptance of the Project Final Report. The Government's Grant Manager shall review the Project Final Report and provide comments to the Grantee within

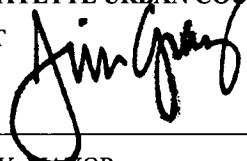
15 calendar days or, if acceptable, forward approval to the Division of Accounting for payment.

- (7) The Grantee agrees to obtain written approval from the Government's Grant Manager or Program Administrator for any proposed changes to the Project Team or Project Plan as listed in Attachment A prior to implementing the changes. Failure to gain written approval prior to making changes may lead to termination of the Agreement for cause pursuant to Paragraph 11 herein below.
- (8) The term of this Agreement shall be from the date of this Agreement until completion of the project outlined herein. The Grantee agrees to complete the project within 12 months. The Grantee agrees to obtain written approval from the Government's Grant Manager or Program Administrator for any time extensions beyond the schedule. Failure to gain written approval prior to making changes may lead to termination of the Agreement for cause pursuant to Paragraph 11 herein below.
- (9) The Grantee understands that the Grant shown herein in Paragraph 1 is a not-to-exceed amount, and any additional funding needed to complete the project elements listed in Attachment A is the responsibility of the Grantee. If it becomes apparent to the Grantee or the Government that the Grantee will be unable to complete the project either in the manner or for the amount described in this Agreement, then the Grantee must immediately notify the Government's Grant Manager and Program Administrator by providing a complete and detailed written explanation of its inability to comply with the terms of the Agreement. The Grantee must further provide the Government's Grant Manager and Program Administrator with a complete and detailed written explanation of any proposed changes, and the reasons for those changes.
- (10) The Grantee asserts that it is in full compliance with all applicable provisions of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government's Code of Ordinances Chapter 5 – Buildings and Building Regulations, Chapter 7 – Finance and Taxation, Chapter 12 – Housing, and Chapter 16 – Sewage, Garbage, Refuse, and Weeds, or in compliance with Kentucky Department of Housing Buildings and Construction rules and requirements as is appropriate for those state institutions, parcels or buildings which are subject to state regulations and oversight as opposed to local ordinances and regulations. If the Grantee becomes out of compliance with any of these provisions, it will contact the Government's Grant Manager and Program Administrator immediately. Failure to resolve any such matters to the satisfaction of the Government may lead to termination of the Agreement for cause pursuant to Paragraph 11 herein below.
- (11) If, through any cause, the Grantee shall fail to fulfill in timely and proper manner its obligations under this Agreement, or if the Grantee shall violate any of the covenants, agreements or stipulations of this Agreement, the Government shall thereupon have the right to terminate this Agreement by giving written notice to the Grantee of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof, at least five (5) calendar days before the effective date of such termination. In that event, all finished or unfinished documents, receipts and reports prepared by the Grantee shall, at the option of the Government, become its property and the Grantee shall immediately repay to the Government all monies received pursuant to this Agreement less any amount representing just and equitable compensation for the Government's share of any satisfactory work completed pursuant to the Agreement.
- (12) This Agreement may not be modified except by written agreement of the Government and the Grantee.
- (13) The Grantee agrees to comply with all applicable local, state, and federal rules, regulations, ordinances, and laws in implementation of the project.
- (14) The Grantee agrees to allow the Government access to perform monitoring of the project elements for compliance with this Agreement.

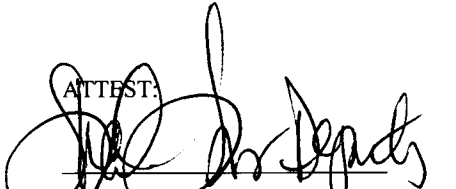
- (15) In any written or oral communications, the Grantee agrees to identify the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government as the source of the above referenced funds; the Grantee shall not specifically identify any individual or elected official as being responsible for the funds donated by the Government.
- (16) The Grantee agrees to allow the Government to publicize the Grantee's project through the Government's website and other media.
- (17) The Grantee agrees to reference the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government's Water Quality Management Fee and the Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant Program as a source of funding for the project on any permanent signage or educational brochures, presentations, websites, etc. produced using grant monies.
- (18) The Grantee agrees to prepare class rosters or sign-in sheets and provide evaluation forms to the attendees for any educational event funded by the Grant.
- (19) Equipment purchased or facilities constructed by the Grantee with the Grant for use on this project will remain in service and maintained by the Grantee or its members per the terms listed in Attachment A. Equipment purchased by the Grantee with the Grant for use on this project will remain the property of the Grantee unless otherwise noted in Attachment A.
- (20) The Government assumes no responsibility whatsoever in the Grantee's project activities. Grantee shall, to the extent allowed by law, defend, indemnify, and hold harmless Government from and against all liability, claims, losses, actions, costs, expenses, obligations, fines, and assessments of whatever kind, including defense costs and attorney's fees that are in any way incidental to or connected with, or that arise or are alleged to have arisen, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, from or by Grantee's or its contractor(s), agents, or assigns, negligent acts or misconduct, or errors or omissions, in connection with the activities carried out pursuant to this Agreement, the Grant award or the Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant Program.
- (21) The Grantee is solely responsible for assuring that adequate and appropriate insurance or other necessary coverage is maintained during the term of this Agreement.
- (22) The Grantee's sole remedy for a breach of this Agreement by the Government shall be limited to the amount of the Grant.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement at Lexington, Fayette County, Kentucky, this the day and year first above written.

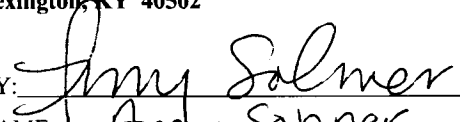
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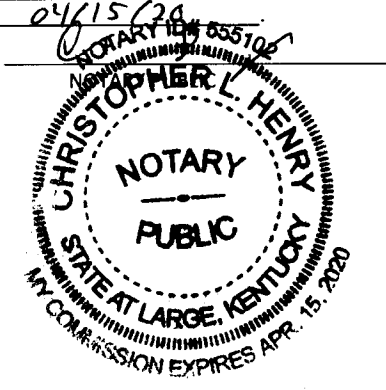
BY: _____
JIM GRAY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CLERK, URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL

Grantee Organization: BLUEGRASS GREENSOURCE, INC.
835 NATIONAL AVENUE
Lexington, KY 40502

BY: 
NAME: Amy Sonner
TITLE: Executive Director

The foregoing Agreement was subscribed, sworn to and acknowledged before me by Amy Sonner, as the duly authorized representative for and on behalf of Bluegrass Green Source, on this the 23 day of January, 2017.
My commission expires: 04/15/20



ATTACHMENT A
to the GRANT AWARD AGREEMENT
between Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government (LFUCG) and
Bluegrass Greensource, Inc.

GRANT PROGRAM: 2017 Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant Program
Class B (Education) Projects

- Funded through the LFUCG Water Quality Management Fee
- Administered by the LFUCG Division of Water Quality in the Department of Environmental Quality

PROJECT TEAM AND CONTACT INFORMATION

Grantee Organization: Bluegrass Greensource, Inc.
835 National Avenue
Lexington, KY 40502
KY Organization #: 0520954

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Primary Project Contact: Amy Sohner
859-266-1572 (phone)
amy@bgGreensource.org (email)

Secondary Project Contact and Project Manager: Bridget Abernathy
859-866-1572 (phone)
bridget@bgGreensource.org (email)

Project Team Members: Amy Sohner, Director
Maxine Rudder, Deputy Director
Rob Gates, Outreach Specialist
Mollie Harris, Communications Specialist

TARGET AUDIENCE

The target audience for the Lexington Community Tree Planting Guide, associated workshops, and pilot implementation project is the 250 plus neighborhood associations and their members in the city of Lexington.

PROJECT PLAN ELEMENTS

- 1) ***Lexington Community Tree Planting Guide:*** Develop a tree planting guide to facilitate community, neighborhood-wide, or individual tree planting efforts in Lexington. The guide will also assist homeowners in planning and organizing a neighborhood-wide effort for private or public property in their neighborhood. The guide will help citizens determine the needs for their neighborhood by collecting data for about existing trees; focus areas for planting; selecting high quality trees of appropriate species, size, form and suitability for the site; properly planting nursery-stock trees; adequately maintaining and caring for trees over time; addressing environmental concerns; determining ways to engage citizens; and overcoming obstacles in the process.
- 2) ***Educational Workshops:*** Eight neighborhoods are targeted to host educational workshops that will inform citizens about how to use the guide to develop and implement community tree planting initiatives.
- 3) ***Pilot Neighborhood:*** Target one pilot neighborhood to plan and hold a community-wide tree planting event. The pilot neighborhood project will serve as a model for other neighborhoods to plan and implement tree planting efforts in Lexington.

PROJECT SUSTAINABILITY

- 1) ***Long-term Component for Ongoing Education and Involvement:*** The project plans to include ongoing education and involvement beyond the end of the grant, so this resource can continue to

be introduced and utilized among neighborhood associations. Bluegrass Greensource intends to widely distribute informational material so neighborhood associations are continuously aware of this resource, and seek out the guide for implementation of community tree planting projects. The guide will be available online beyond the end of the grant, and in print form upon request.

- 2) ***Personnel for Long-Term Implementation:*** Bluegrass Greensource intends to utilize Outreach Specialists to continue implementation of the project on a long-term basis. Outreach Specialists will be available to continue neighborhood association workshops upon request, and as a point of contact for expert advice and consultation.
- 3) ***Ongoing Sources of Funding for Future Program Implementation beyond the Grant Period:*** Bluegrass Greensource does not have funding directly allocated for future program implementation beyond the grant period, but intends to raise funds to continue this project into the future if the project is deemed successful.

PROJECT SUCCESS MEASURES

- 1) The success of the project will be measured by the number of participants at the neighborhood association workshops, number of participants at the pilot neighborhood community tree planting event, as well as the online use of the guide and number of guides requested and distributed.
- 2) The project will meet the goals of the Incentive Grant Program by providing resources to neighborhoods to improve water quality and tree canopy cover in Fayette County. The project will provide public and private education in areas with the lowest ability to prevent flooding and water pollution. Through tree planting implementation, many stormwater and other environmental benefits can be accomplished.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

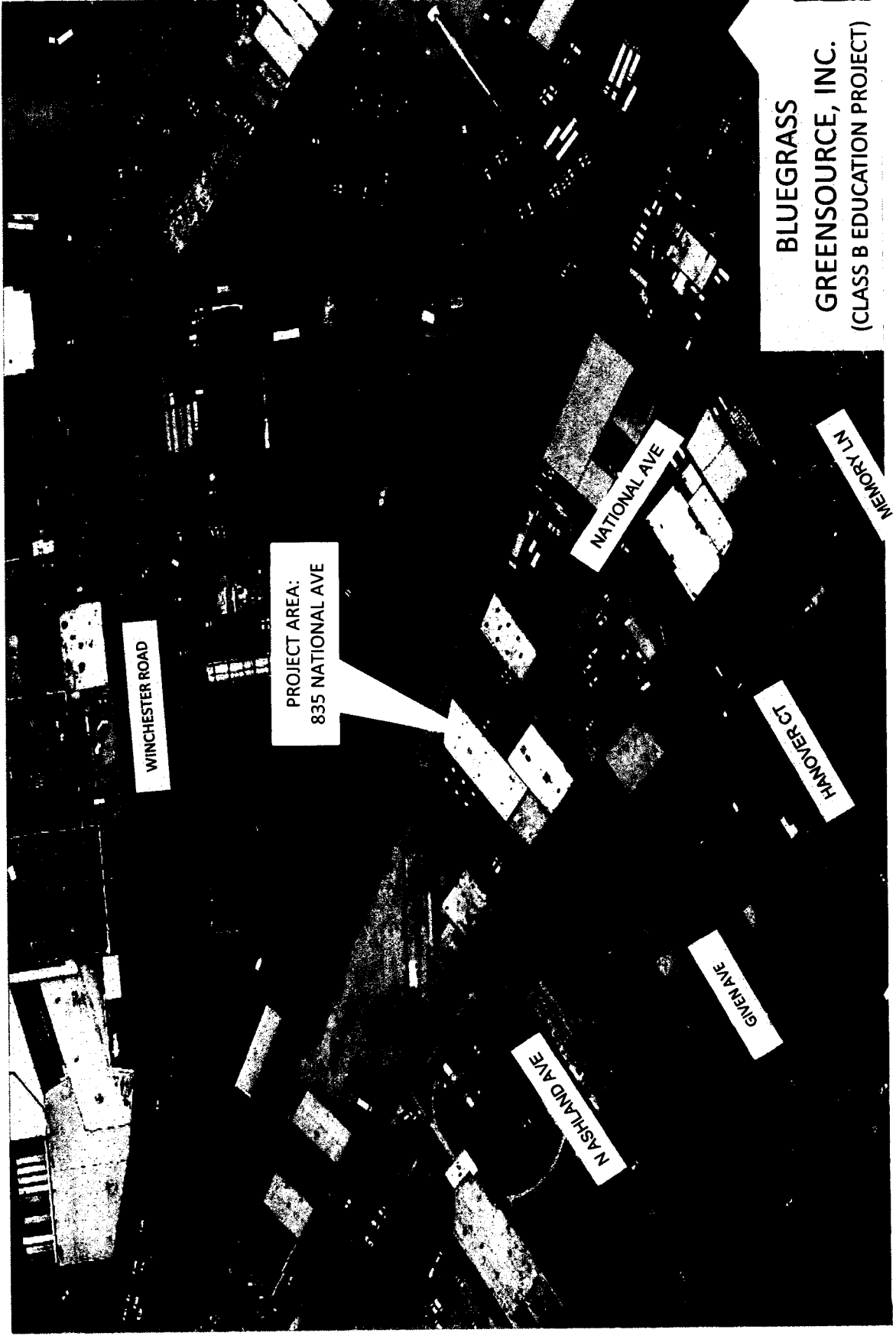
In addition to the reporting requirements outlined in the Grant Award Agreement, the following special items are noted for this project:

- 1) All handouts and educational material shall be provided to the LFUCG Grant Manager in hard copy and electronic (PDF) format with Request for Funds & Project Status Report and/or Project Final Report.
- 2) Organization shall provide a detailed plan for notification of residents about street tree responsibility prior to the Community Wide Tree Planting portion of the project.
- 3) Organization shall provide obtain written approval/agreement prior to work being done on properties not owned by the applicant.
- 4) Tree plantings shall be coordinated with existing utilities prior to plantings, and if possible, trees shall not be planted within 10' of an existing utility.
- 5) Organization proposes a larger cost share beyond that required by the grant program. Budget shall reflect the 52.8% cost share (beyond the first \$2,500) offered in the application (Approximately \$27,535.23).

EQUIPMENT

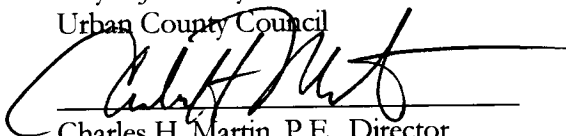
Any equipment purchased with the Grant shall remain the property of the Organization.

Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant Program



BLUEGRASS
GREENSOURCE, INC.
(CLASS B EDUCATION PROJECT)



TO: Mayor Jim Gray
Urban County Council
FROM: 
Charles H. Martin, P.E., Director
Division of Water Quality

DATE: January 24, 2017

SUBJECT: Recommendation for a FY17 (Class B Education) Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant for Bluegrass Greensource, Inc.

Request

The purpose of this memorandum is to request approval of a FY17 (Class B Education) Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant for Bluegrass Greensource, Inc., in the amount of \$27,135.23.

Purpose of Request

Grant provides for funds to educate the public about the benefit of trees to improve water quality. This project involves the development of a tree planting guide to facilitate community, neighborhood-wide, or individual tree planting efforts in Lexington. In addition to developing the "Lexington Community Tree Planting Guide," Bluegrass Greensource will target eight neighborhoods to host workshops. The organization will also target one pilot neighborhood to plan and hold a community-wide tree planting event in the spring. The pilot neighborhood will serve as a model for other neighborhoods to plan and implement tree planting efforts in Lexington as a way to improve water quality and reduce the volume of stormwater runoff entering the storm sewer system.

Project Cost in FY17 and in Future Budget Years

The grant has been approved by the Water Quality Fees Board in the amount of \$27,135.23 and will be fully spent by FY18.

Are Funds Budgeted

Funds are budgeted in: 4052 – 303204 – 3373 – 78112 – WQINCENTIVE_17 – WQ_GRANT

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