



TO: Mayor Linda Gorton
Urban County Council

FROM: 
Charles H. Martin, P.E., Director
Division of Water Quality

DATE: May 16, 2022

SUBJECT: Change Order for Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant Contract #146-2020

Request

Requesting approval of an increasing change order of \$143,200.00 to the Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant with the University of Kentucky Research Foundation (UKRF), Contract #146-2020.

Purpose of Request

In 2021, UKRF was awarded a \$216,800 grant for a Stormwater Harvesting Project. At that time, the total project cost estimate was \$271,000. During the project approval process, the Water Quality Fees Board (WQFB) acknowledged the innovative nature of the project and voted to set aside \$300,000 annually to fund future innovative projects that meet overall program objectives.

UKRF has competitively bid the project. The new total project cost estimate is \$709,400.

UKRF wishes to proceed with the project but cannot without additional funding. UKRF is requesting that their existing grant award be amended allowing them to access innovative project grant funding while not exceeding the maximum allowable grant award (\$360,000) for Class B parcels.

The Division of Water Quality recommends approval of the request based on the following:

1. The project construction cost increase is substantiated by the competitive bids received by the applicant.
2. The Water Quality Fees Board had previously considered this project as innovative, which should afford it consideration for the previously unallocated innovative project funding.
3. The University, as one of the largest rate payers of the Water Quality Management Fee, is demonstrating an unprecedented commitment to this project by assuming nearly 50% of the total project cost and agreeing to absorb any future project cost increases.

The request for increase has been reviewed and approved by the Water Quality Fees Board on May 5, 2022.



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Project Cost in FY22 and in Future Budget Years

The increasing change order of \$143,200.00 will come from Innovative and Experimental pool grant funds budgeted for FY20.

Are Funds Budgeted

Funds from this increasing change order are already budgeted in:

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