

Memorandum

To: Chief Elected Officials, Water Pollution Control Authorities, Superintendents, Consultants, and Regional Planning Agencies

From: George V. Hicks, P.E., Municipal Facilities, Planning & Standards Division

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Re: Final FY2014 & 2015 Priority List for the Clean Water Fund
Availability on DEEP Website

The Department is pleased to announce that the Final FY2014 & 2015 Priority List for the Clean Water Fund (CWF) dated July 7, 2014 has been adopted. You may secure access to the Priority List at <http://www.ct.gov/deep/cleanwaterfund>

The Final FY2014 & 2015 Priority List enables DEEP to assist many municipalities in the planning, design, and construction of necessary wastewater infrastructure projects. These projects include:

- Implementation of combined sewer overflow (CSO) improvements in the state's largest cities to mitigate serious negative impacts on water quality due to combined sewer overflows;
- Advanced wastewater treatment to enhance the removal of nutrients like phosphorus and nitrogen; and
- Decentralized wastewater management to address community pollution problems without the need for large-scale infrastructure.

The Final FY2014 & 2015 Priority List also offers new funding reserves and greater incentives for the following types of projects:

- Addition of green infrastructure techniques to CSO projects in order to maximize infiltration of stormwater and reduce the volume of untreated overflows to waters of the state;
- Upgrades to increase the resiliency of facilities that may be affected by sea level rise;
- Rehabilitation of aging pump stations; and
- Infiltration & inflow reduction projects to remove extraneous flows, and to revitalize and extend the service life of existing wastewater infrastructure.

The positive benefits of this priority list are a result of widespread support and recognition of both value and necessity of the CWF to the state.