



Clean Water Fund Memorandum (2023-003)

**Revision to State Fiscal Year 2023
Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Clean Water Fund Priority List Section 3c:
Collection System Improvement Program**

I. PURPOSE

To provide municipalities seeking Clean Water Funds greater flexibility in the size and scope of construction contracts for collection system improvement projects including inflow/infiltration projects and work on pump station rehabilitation projects.

II. GOVERNING AUTHORITIES

Section 22a-482-1(c)(5)(B) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies under "*Revisions to the Priority List*" allows the Department to exercise its right to evaluate the usage of funds in all the reserves and the fundable construction projects on the Priority List and to make changes as determined by the Commissioner.

III. EXISTING POLICY

Currently, the Priority List's Section 3c (*Collection System Improvement Program*) has a project limit of \$4 million per year per municipality in the reserve for construction of pump station rehabilitation projects.

IV. NEW POLICY

The Department evaluated the underutilization of the reserves under Section 3c of the current Priority List for construction of collection system improvement projects, taking into consideration the higher additional cost of compliance with the storm resiliency standards, and determined it to be in the best interests of the state to eliminate the \$4 million project limit for the Collection System Program reserves under Section 3c for the current Priority List. This change will be effective as of the date of this memo and will remain in effect until the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Priority List.

V. DEFINITIONS

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Date

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