

DRINKING WATER & GROUNDWATER TRUST FUND PROGRAM

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& GROUNDWATER TRUST FUND



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DEPARTMENT OF
**Environmental
Services**

Where did the Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund Come From?

- Funds from 2013 *State v. Exxon Corp., et. al* MtBE Trial Verdict
- SB 380 – Established the Fund and the Advisory Commission
- Use of Funds Governed by RSA 485-F
- 19 Member Advisory Commission
- \$187 M current balance

Role of the Advisory Commission

- Established the Mission (Oct 2017):

The DWGTF is Intended to Provide Protection, Preservation, and Enhancement of the Drinking Water and Groundwater Resources of the State

- Award Grants and Loans to Projects on a Competitive Basis
- Develop and Lead the Project Selection Process

Identifying, Preventing, and Addressing Contamination



Drinking
Water Well
Sampling –
Identifying
the Need



Source
Water
Protection



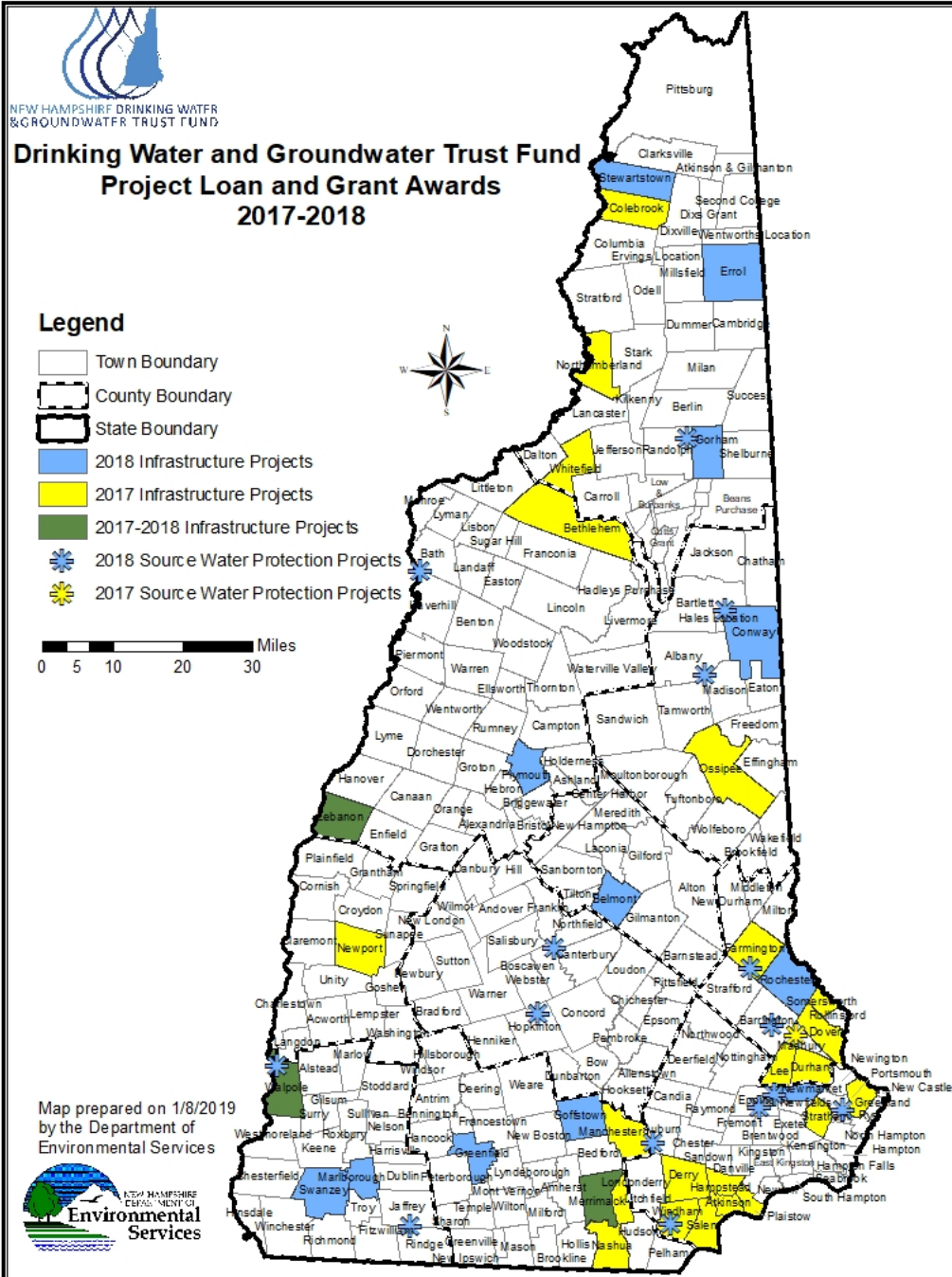
Reliable,
Maintained
Infrastructure



Safe
Drinking
Water at the
Tap

2017-2018 Accomplishments

- Approximately \$93M in Grants and Loans Approved
- 15 Infrastructure Projects Underway or Completed from 2017 Approvals
- 110 Applications in 2018 – Represents Significant Need in NH
- 19 Drinking Water Infrastructure Projects Approved in 2018
- 15 Source Water Protection Projects Approved in 2018



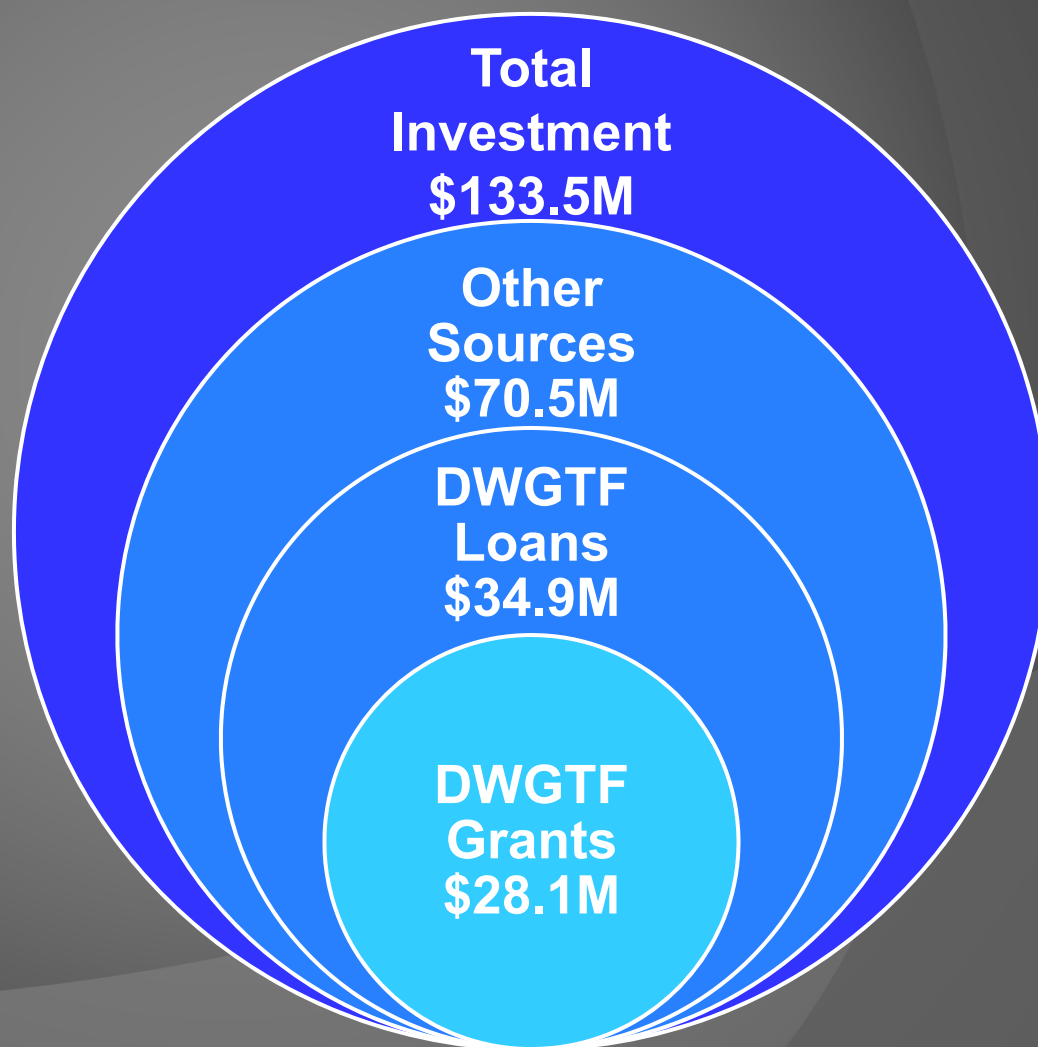
Commission Approved Projects

- \$63 M in Individual Project Grants and Loans
- 38 Infrastructure Projects Approved
- 15 Source Water Protection Projects Approved – protecting ~ 4,750 acres
- \$30.2 M for Southern NH Regional Water Project

DWGTF Total 2017-2018 Investment – \$133.5M 2017-2018*

Leveraged Funding Sources

- State and/or Federal Loan and Grant Programs
- Municipalities
- Local Contributions
- Private Contributions
- MtBE Settlement Funds



*Total does not include \$30.2M grant for the Southern NH Regional Water Project.

2019 Award Program*

- ⦿ ***Concept developed by a Subcommittee – not approved by vote by Advisory Commission (anticipated April 16)**
 - Propose Annual Program for Drinking Water Construction Projects
 - Focus on drinking water system improvements
- ⦿ September 13, 2019 Application Deadline
- ⦿ Application expanded from 2018
- ⦿ Rate is a component of the Advisory Commission project considerations:
 - Median household income (MHI)
 - Current annual residential water rate
 - **Projected annual residential water rate at project completion**

Thank you.



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