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The Honorable Patty Murray Chair Senate Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Jeff Merkley Chairman Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Washington, D.C. 20510 The Honorable Susan Collins Vice Chair Senate Committee on Appropriations Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski Ranking Member Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chair Murray, Vice Chair Collins, Chairman Merkley and Ranking Member Murkowski:

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has a pecuniary interest in any of the congressionally directed spending items that I have requested in the Fiscal Year 2025 Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies appropriations bill, consistent with the requirements of paragraph 9 of Rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate. None of the entities for which I have requested congressionally directed spending are for-profit entities.

Sincerely,

Edward J. Markey

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Markey, Edward(D-MA) Interior and Environment Congressionally Directed Spending Requests

Recipient Name	Project Purpose	Project Location	Amount Requested (\$000)
Tyngsborough Sewer Commission	This project would upgrade the Phalanx Street pump station and install approximately 1,200 linear feet of 8" PVC gravity sewer line. As a result, 11 properties, which abut the Merrimack River, could be removed from on-site wastewater disposal systems and connect to municipal sewer.	Tyngsborough MA	\$1,956
Discovery Museum, Inc.	Discovery Museum will restore, renovate, and preserve its accessible Discovery Woods education space, which has experienced significant erosion and soil compaction. This will ensure visitors of all ages and abilities can continue to experience educational, health, and recreational benefits.	Acton MA	\$1,250
Town of Agawam	Portions of the downtown area have inadequate and deteriorated stormwater infrastructure. Flooding has impacted businesses and degraded stormwater infrastructure, roads, and streams. The project includes reconstruction and improvements to increase stormwater capacity.	Agawam MA	\$1,980
Town of Arlington	A regional green infrastructure roll-out in the 21 municipalities of the Mystic River watershed, this project will create a system of small-scale, cost-effective installations that improve water quality in rivers, lakes and streams in the state's most urbanized watershed.	Arlington MA	\$3,000
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City of Attleboro,	This project involves reducing the infiltration and inflow of stormwater/surface water into the city sewer system by installing a cured-in-place lining in a portion of sewer mains located in the highest prioritized sub-area in the city.	Attleboro MA	\$3,375
Town of Billerica	The Concord River Water Main Crossing project will provide a redundant water connection between the Town's Water Treatment Plant on the north side of the river and the distribution system on the south side of the river. This is a priority project on the Town's Water Capital Improvement Plan.	Billerica MA	\$3,600
Town of Blandford	This project includes comprehensive upgrades to the Water Treatment Facility and distribution system to achieve permit compliance, provide safe, reliable drinking water to the citizens of Blandford and visitors to the Massachusetts Department of Transportation Blandford Service Plazas on I-90.	Blandford MA	\$3,000
Revolutionary Spaces, Inc.	Stabilizing the sub-basement at Boston's Old State House to preserve this historic and irreplaceable building ahead of America's 250th anniversary. The project will protect its foundation and ensure safety on the plaza above, along the Freedom Trail.	Boston MA	\$286
Charles River Watershed Association	Develop plans for Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) areas using nature based solutions that will reduce CSOs in hot spot areas across the Commonwealth	Boston MA	\$1,000
City of Cambridge	The Ozone Generators that provide primary disinfection of our drinking water are over 23 years old and need to be replaced. This upgrade is necessary for the Water Department to maintain full regulatory compliance with all Federal and State water quality standards	Cambridge MA	\$3,595
GreenRoots	GreenRoots addresses climate change and environmental harms by building resident leadership and capacity; implementing solutions to mitigate extreme heat through our Cool Block Project; increasing access to green spaces and the waterfront by building parks.	Chelsea MA	\$250

City of Chicopee	The Downtown Sewer Separation Project is a part of the City of Chicopee's long term control plan (LTCP) to address the environmental and public health impacts caused by combined sewer overflows (CSOs) from the City's remaining combined sewer system into the Connecticut and Chicopee Rivers.	Chicopee MA	\$3,000
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Town of Essex	This "shovel-ready" project is to eliminate a confined space work area at Essex Public Water Supply Well #2, which poses safety and efficiency concerns. The project would construct a new entry way into the well structure which requires modification of the existing concrete structure and grading the	Essex MA	\$628
City of Fall River	In order to safeguard clean water access, protect environmental integrity, and preserve resident access to outdoor recreation, the City of Fall River proposes to implement a phosphorus deactivation program at South Watuppa Pond in order to uphold clean water standards.	Fall River MA	\$2,400
City of Fall River	The City of Fall River will replace up to 250 residential public water service lines suspected to contain lead, which poses a hazard to human health as it dissolves into drinking water. This will safeguard drinking water quality and directly improve the long-term health.	Fall River MA	\$4,000
Town of Franklin	This project will entail extending the 22 mile Southern New England Trunkline Trail (SNETT) an additional 1.6 miles to connect to downtown Franklin, creating additional transportation and economic development opportunities for Franklin and the surrounding communities.	Franklin MA	\$10,000
City of Gardner	The Summit Industrial Park Pump Station has generally reached its useful design life and several of its components require replacement, such as the pumps, the breakers, and starters.	Gardner MA	\$1,035
Cape Ann Museum	Renovation of the main headquarters of the Cape Ann Museum (CAM), the premier museum and cultural center in Gloucester located in the city's historic district. The renovation will significantly improve the Museum's energy efficiency, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.	Gloucester MA	\$500
Gloucester Adventure, Inc.	The National Historic Landmark Schooner Adventure's 100th year approaches. She is one of only five Essex-built schooners remaining. We are determined to make repairs necessary to preserve the vessel, prevent the need for millions of dollars in major work down the road.	Gloucester MA	\$230
City of Greenfield	Extreme rain events have magnified issues with our aging sewer system, contributing to incidents of sanitary sewer overflows into the Green and Deerfield Rivers. Greenfield's project will undertake infiltration/inflow correction and other wastewater collection system repairs and upgrades.	Greenfield MA	\$10,000
Town of Groton	This project is intended to bring clean potable drinking water to the Groton-Dunstable Regional High School and properties in Groton and Dunstable impacted by PFAS contamination	Groton MA	\$12,805
Town of Holliston	The Town of Holliston lacks the wastewater infrastructure necessary for environmentally responsible economic growth in its downtown area. The Town's only Wastewater Treatment Plant has existing excess permitted capacity from MassDEP.	Holliston MA	\$5,920
City of Holyoke	"The purpose of the Master Plan /Feasibility Study is to identify and evaluate options necessary to sustainably optimize efficiency and reliability of operations at the WWTP.Reduce carbon footprint and electricity demand, while exploring and investing in cost-effective, clean-energy projects.	Holyoke MA	\$500

City of Holyoke	The purpose of this project is to fund the design and construction of the River Terrace CSO Area 21B Sewer Separation Project. EPA issued a Final Consent Order to the City to complete CSO abatement projects, to be submitted to MassDEP no later than July 1, 2026.	Holyoke MA	\$17,000
City of Holyoke	The City of Holyoke's Department of Public Work's 100 year old facility has exceeded its useful life and must be replaced. The City would like to identify the current and future needs of the DPW operations, identify a preferred site, and develop plans and cost estimates for a new facility	Holyoke MA	\$150
Barnstable County	The site was contaminated with PFAS foam from regional fire training exercises from 1960-2009, where PFAS contamination has impacted the aquifer and public water supply. The project will address Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP) requirements and implement a groundwater treatment system to preven	Hyannis MA	\$6,000
Town of Ipswich	This project involves engineering design and construction of a tank rehabilitation project to include temporary rigid containment system installation, sandblasting and recoating of interior and exterior surfaces and upgrades to related tank appurtenances.	Ipswich MA	\$2,200
Leicester Water Supply District	The Leicester Water Supply District (LWSD) Water System Interconnection with Worcester project involves construction of an interconnection between the Leicester Water Supply District and Worcester water systems.	Leicester MA	\$3,200
Cherry Valley & Rochdale Water District	Relocate and resize the exposed water distribution system transmission main from over Kettle Brook to below ground to improve transmission capacity and remove a high risk asset from a vulnerable location.	Leicester MA	\$430
Town of Lexington	The Mystic River Watershed is the most urbanized watershed in New England, losing trees to climate change, development, and introduced pests and disease. This funding will enable twelve additional communities to pool resources to maximize mature, healthy tree canopy.	Lexington MA	\$1,000
New England Forestry Foundation	To develop an implementable roadmap for Massachusetts that will drive that state's forest-based bioeconomy for maximum public benefit.	Littleton MA	\$746
City of Lynn	The Grand Army of the Republic Hall and Museum is a city-owned building managed by the Trustees of the G.A.R. The Trustees and the City are working together on capital improvements to make the building universally accessible, repair its deteriorating facade, and ensure its long-term preservation.	Lynn MA	\$500
Marblehead Water & Sewer Commission	The purpose of the project is to protect local water quality by reducing the volume of infiltration and inflow (I/I) entering the sewer system and avoid future sanitary overflows (SSO's).	Marblehead MA	\$806
Town of Nahant	The Town of Nahant's Willow Road Force Main and Coastal Resilience Upgrades project will modernize wastewater and stormwater infrastructure to improve resiliency to climate change. The Town's aging infrastructure faces risks posed by increased storm intensity and beach erosion due to sea level rise	Nahant MA	\$4,000
Town of Needham	The funding for this project will go towards small-scale, cost-effective stormwater best management practices (BMPs), including green infrastructure installations, to reduce the Town of Needham's phosphorous load entering the Charles River and improve Needham's resiliency to flooding events by build	Needham MA	\$3,000
City of Newburyport	The Bartlet Mall, with its centerpiece Frog Pond, is a park of great historic significance. Restoring this park and the pond to their original grandeur, solving the water issues that plague the pond, and providing a recreational area for the residents of Newburyport are high priorities for the City.	Newburyport MA	\$500

City of Newton	The project will significantly improve water quality in the Charles River by detaining stormwater runoff in an underground infiltration system under a recreational field at Albemarle Playground in Newton. It will also assist the City comply with the EPA's new regulations for phosphorus control in th	Newton MA	\$1,000
City of Pittsfield	The renovation/restoration of Old Town Hall provides the City of Pittsfield with an opportunity to put the building back in productive use for municipal purposes. The city intends to relocate the administrative division and detective bureau of the Pittsfield Police Department to Old Town Hall.	Pittsfield MA	\$734
Pilgrim Society	The Embarkation Project at Pilgrim Hall Museum supports the conservation of iconic historical artworks reflecting the immigrant experience in early America and introduces inclusive exhibition design to incorporate Indigenous perspectives at one of the nation's oldest museums.	Plymouth MA	\$250
Greater Boston Physicians for Social Responsibility	The purpose of this project is to conduct a prospective health assessment and establish a monitoring system to assess particle radiation releases associated with decommissioning Plymouth's Pilgrim Nuclear Power Plant. An expert panel will be convened to review the potential health impacts associated	Plymouth MA	\$908
Marsh Madness	Presidents Coast is an envisioned 5-mile environmental resilience network created to equitably improve ecological quality and access to waterfronts, wetlands, and natural resources for vulnerable residents and neighborhoods along three of Quincy's outlying peninsulas. It is intended to provide green	Quincy MA	\$500
Town of Rockland	The Rockland WWTP and Collection System Upgrades project includes comprehensive upgrades to the WWTP to optimize the process to come into compliance with new total phosphorus limits, reduce the number of SSOs, and increase capacity at the WWTP	Rockland MA	\$35,000
The House of the Seven Gables Settlement Association	To preserve and protect The House of the Seven Gables and its campus, a seaside National Historic Landmark District, from increased stormwater damage caused by heavy rain, poor grading, and undersized stormwater controls as a result of climate change.	Salem MA	\$413
Town of Scituate	The Town would repair and or replace leaky sewer pipes and catch basins to remove ground water, seawater, and rainwater from our municipal sewer system. By removing I&I we will be able to create capacity in the system to allow for the redevelopment of the North Scituate Business District.	Scituate MA	\$4,200
Town of Somerset	The Somerset Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades targets the immediate equipment replacement needs, building upgrades required, and a plan to address pending numerical permit limits for Total Nitrogen. The equipment and building upgrades will also target energy deficiencies at the facility.	Somerset MA	\$5,000
Town of Stoneham	Through a collaborative community effort, the Town of Stoneham is seeking funding to restore the wetlands near the high school to absorb more water and provide better habitat and outdoor recreation	Stoneham MA	\$2,500
Town of Swansea	The Town of Swansea does not currently have a centralized wastewater management system. The Town of Swansea is seeking to construct a centralized wastewater collection system in the Route 6 Corridor and connect it with the Town of Somerset's collection system.	Swansea MA	\$5,000
Swansea Water District	This project consists of drinking water infrastructure vital to ensuring sufficient capacity of source water, and effective treatment of safe drinking water for 95% of the Town of Swansea's residents	Swansea MA	\$4,000
Wareham Fire District	The purpose of this water infrastructure project is to make improvements to the water distribution system, specifically the water mains. This project would add 3,050 feet of 12-inch water main, which will have a dual purpose of water transmission and localized distribution.	Wareham MA	\$1,536

West Brookfield Water Department	WBWD proposes to construct a new water treatment facility at the Leland Rd Wellfield site, adding filtration vessels for iron and manganese removal. Review of water quality data indicates iron and manganese levels have begun to exceed SMCLs. MassDEP issued WBWD a Notice of Noncompliance.	West Brookfield MA	\$6,203
Westfield Museum Inc. (WMI)	WHIPP memorializes Westfield's signature industry, whipmaking, and ancillary industries, in a building owned by WMI. Built in 1884 for Westfield's then-thriving whip industry and listed on the National Register of Historic Places, it exemplifies industrial architecture of its day and houses all that	Westfield MA	\$475
Town of Westport	The CDS request will be used to complete the remaining second and third sections of the Route 6 trunkline water and sewer project in Westport, MA, from Route 88 to the Town of Dartmouth. This is the critical linkage to provide sewer service and clean water to adjacent residential neighborhoods	Westport MA	\$5,000
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The President and Trustees of Williams College	Restoring the ecological integrity, stormwater and climate resilience of an ecologically and recreationally important freshwater pond on the campus of Williams College. Part 1 consists of a study to restore the pond's ecology and open water area.	Williamstown MA	\$96
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City of Woburn	Establish a PFAS treatment plant in Woburn to mitigate contamination in the drinking water supply, ensuring compliance with regulatory standards and safeguarding public health.	Woburn MA	\$3,000
City of Woburn	The final fish ladder needed for these mighty-but-humble fish will expand their spawning habitat to Woburn's Horn Pond, nearly eight miles upstream from Boston Harbor. This shovel-ready project includes a fish ladder around Scalley Dam and a viewing window for visitors.	Woburn MA	\$2,500
City of Worcester	The project replaces and upgrades software and hardware components for more reliable and efficient control of the City of Worcester's water distribution system. Further, the project enhances security and safety by hardening the system against cyber attacks	Worcester MA	\$1,100
Blackstone Headwaters Coalition	Blackstone River partners with USGS will perform a hydrology/hydraulic (H&H) baseline study of the Blackstone river to better understand drought and flood conditions and climate resilience and research the cumulative effects of CSO on the river with the goal of improving water quality.	Worcester MA	\$500