



## Buncombe County Board of Commissioners

### Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: 9/1/2020

#### Consent Agenda

**Department:**

Budget

**Presenter(s):**

Jennifer Barnette, Budget Director

**Contact(s):**

Jennifer Harrison, Agriculture and Land Resources  
Jennifer Barnette, Budget

**Subject:**

EWP Grant for Guthrie Project

**Brief Summary:**

Soil & Water Conservation is in receipt of grant funds for a project to repair damage caused in the Ivy River Watershed by hurricane Florence. The Ivy Watershed is the source of drinking water for parts of Buncombe and Madison counties. The scope of work will include 600 linear feet of streambank restoration, including establishment of woody vegetation to improve habitat conditions for trout and to stabilize the streambank to prevent future erosion, and will improve conditions in the stream channel to address energy dissipation and control water velocity.

Soil & Water Conservation is currently awaiting notification in September of two grants to serve as the required match to fully fund this project (Total cost estimated at \$126,500). Though this contract must be signed by September 3rd to receive funding, no work will begin until full funding is secured. This award is a reimbursement basis grant.

**Recommended Motion & Requested Actions:**

Accept grant and approve budget amendment

**County Manager's Comments & Recommendation:**

County Manager recommends as presented