



Buncombe County Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: 11/5/2020

Consent Agenda

Department:

Budget

Presenter(s):

Jennifer Barnette, Budget Director

Contact(s):

Jennifer Harrison, Agriculture and Land Resources
Jennifer Barnette, Budget

Subject:

DEQ Grant for Guthrie Project

Brief Summary:

On September 1st, the Board approved \$99,000 for Soil & Water Conservation toward the Ivy River Watershed restoration project. Total project cost is estimated at \$126,500.

Buncombe County's Soil & Water Conservation Department has sought out the remainder of that cost through the NC Department of Environmental Quality Division of Water Resources, awarded in the amount of \$20,488, and the Town of Weaverville, in the amount of \$7,012.

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.

Recommended Motion & Requested Actions:

Accept grant and approve budget amendment

County Manager's Comments & Recommendation:

County Manager recommends as presented