



Buncombe County Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: March 7, 2023

New Business

Department: Agriculture and Land Resources **Presenter(s):** John Hudson, Budget Director

Contact(s): Jennifer Harrison, Agriculture and Land Resources Director

Subject: Grant Award: NCEM Stream Restoration & Stabilization

Brief Summary: Tropical Storm Fred deposited a tremendous amount of debris and cobble in the streams and rivers, re-routed several streams and rivers undermining banks and roadways in Buncombe County. North Carolina Emergency Management is providing funding totaling \$2,000,000 to help address these issues. This funding from NC Emergency Management will be used to leverage the Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) funding received by Ag and Land Resources earlier this year. In total, these funds will address 50 projects throughout Buncombe County. This grant runs through June 30, 2024.

	Federal Funds	State Funds	Unfunded
Funding Previously Approved - EWP	\$ 2,215,538	\$ 671,375	
Shortfall in funding vs repairs needed	\$ (1,336,442)		
Unfunded Projects	\$ (1,253,764)		
State Emergency Services Funding		\$ 2,000,000	
Projects Remaining Unfunded			\$ (590,203)

Recommended Motion & Requested Action: Approve budget amendment

County Manager's Comments & Recommendation: County Manager recommends as presented