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Elizabeth Whalen, MD, MPH  
Commissioner  
Albany County Department of Health  
175 Green Street  
Albany, NY 12202

Dear Ms. Whalen:

The New York State budget for State Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (SFY20-21) includes an appropriation of \$5,017,000 for services and expenses related to the water supply protection program commonly known as the Drinking Water Enhancement (DWE) Grant Program. This fiscal year, April 1, 2020- March 31, 2021, Albany County will receive funding in the amount of \$105,712 for the DWE Grant Program.

This fiscal year, SFY20-21, also marks the first year of a new five-year contract period that will run April 1, 2020- March 31, 2025. New this year, the DWE contract documents will be managed and approved through the NYS Grants Gateway. In order to assist in the contract approval process within the Grants Gateway, I have attached a Grants Gateway Vendor manual for your information.

This contract, DOH01-C34744GG-3450000, is now available in the Grants Gateway for Albany County to enter budget information and update any performance measures within the workplan that require updating. Once the County has entered the budget, and updated workplan performance measures in the Grants Gateway, please let me know so that they can be reviewed by DOH. Just a reminder that final grant awards are contingent on approval from the Office of the State Comptroller.

Please feel free to contact me at [lori.ahmed@health.ny.gov](mailto:lori.ahmed@health.ny.gov) if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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Administrator  
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