



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

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Mr. Paul McDonald  
Director, Finance Division  
Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy  
525 West Allegan Street  
Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Mr. McDonald:

Thank you for your September 30, 2021, request for an extension to complete the activities authorized in the Michigan Drinking Water State Revolving Fund - Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Grant, EPA award number FS00E02091. The request is to extend the project period until December 31, 2022. A summary of project balances and current project completion time frames was also included with the request.

The Environmental Protection Agency awarded this \$100,000,000 grant on March 17, 2017, with a project period ending December 31, 2021. These federal funds, combined with the \$20M in required state match, were provided to address drinking water infrastructure needs in the city of Flint. As of October 14, 2021, \$67,196,442 of the \$100,000,000 in federal funds had been drawn by the state to reimburse the city for eligible expenses.

EPA plans to approve the one-year extension to provide additional time for Flint to complete its projects. However, it is important for the state and Flint to evaluate selected projects and actively manage project timelines to complete construction of the projects by December 31, 2022 as there are limitations on further extensions. Emphasis should be placed on funding eligible projects to be completed during the project period. Project costs incurred outside the project period are not eligible for reimbursement.

If you have further questions, please contact Steve Marquardt, Section Chief, at (312) 353-3214 or [marquardt.steve@epa.gov](mailto:marquardt.steve@epa.gov).

Sincerely,

11/3/2021

X A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tera L. Fong", written over a horizontal line.

Tera L. Fong  
Division Director, Water Division  
Signed by: TERA FONG

cc: Clyde Edwards  
(City Administrator, City of Flint)

Mike Brown  
(Director of Public Works, City of Flint)