



Blount County Government

TO: Blount County Commissioners

FROM: Accounting

RE: TDEC Grant for TUD Blount County Water Transmissions Improvement Project

DATE: November 22, 2023

This request is to increase the Other General Government Special Revenue Budget (Fund 127) to appropriate \$6,632,720.00 in state TDEC grant funds for the completion of the Tuckaleechee Utility District (TUD) Water Transmission Improvements Project.

In October 2021, the Blount County Commission approved Resolution 21-10-014, establishing Blount County's preliminary American Rescue Plan Proposal. At a Special Called meeting of the Blount County Commission held on January 27, 2022, several utility districts presented potential projects to the County Commission, including the Tuckaleechee Utility District (TUD) Blount County Water Transmission Improvement Project. On February 17, 2022, the Blount County Commission approved Resolution 22-02-001, amending the Other General Government Special Revenue Budget (Fund 127) to appropriate American Rescue Plan (ARP) and Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) funds for the completion of the proposed utility projects in Blount County.

In August of 2023, Blount County was made aware of alternative TDEC funds, and applied for a competitive TDEC ARP grant for the Tuckaleechee Utility District (TUD) Blount County Water Transmission Improvements Project. In November of 2023, TDEC awarded a \$6,632,720.00 grant to the county for the project. The total project cost is \$8,290,900.00 with Blount County providing a grant match of \$1,658,180.00 to TDEC's award of \$6,632,720.00.


Brian Baldwin, Director of Accounts & Budgets

11/27/23
Date