Dirt, Gravel, and Low-Volume Roads

“Old” Money Spending Overview
Tips and Tricks for meeting the June 30, 2019 Spending Deadline
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![Project Grant Spending per Year](chart)

- Remaining "old money" to be spent
- Likely Spending Equilibrium
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Quarterly Reporting

• Second Quarterly report for Oct-Dec due 1/15/19.

• All reports in by 1/25/19
Quarterly Reporting

• **Replenishments:**
  - Now automatically generated based on spending
  - All 65 already being processed
• **FY 2018-19 allocations:**
  - $26M allocated to CDs
  - $13M advanced to CDs
  - $11.1M of $13M already claimed in replenishment
  - $1.9M remaining in Harrisburg
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In a Normal Year:

- CDs have 2 years to spend funds to be eligible for next FY allocations
- Spending Requirement does not include two most recent allocation Fiscal Year’s
  - FY 17/18 not included
- CD Status reflected in GIS “ASR Overview”:
  - Green = OK
  - Red = Short of spending

From Annual Report

**ASR Overview (2018/2019)**

| Total Spent: | $1,608,642.93 |
| Spending Req.: | $1,530,117.00 |
| Difference: | $78,525.93 |

**ASR Overview (2018/2019)**

| Total Spent: | $334,047.38 |
| Spending Req.: | $534,243.00 |
| Difference: | $(200,195.62) |
Annual Summary Report Spending Difference VS Previous 5-Year Balance Remaining?

This Year Only: Green/Red Status does not matter!

Why?
Since old 5-year contract funds must be spent by June 30, 2019, that requirement is actually more strict than the traditional green/red for 2-year spending.

So what does matter?
Annual Summary Report Spending Difference VS Previous 5-Year Balance Remaining?

This Year:

- Must “zero out” balance remaining in old 5-year contract funds
- Balance Remaining includes FY 17/18

From Quarterly Report

County A: still $106 left to spend

County B: old money spent!

- Don’t forget to check BOTH DnG and LVR – tracked separately!
Take Home

Be concerned with **ONLY** the Previous 5-Year Balance Remaining!!!!!

This is the only balance that includes FY 17/18!

Through June 30, 2019, **IGNORE** the ASR Spending Difference!!
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Summary

• Funding moves from SCC to CDs via 5-year contract

• Currently year one of new contract (FY 19/20 – 23/24)

• Old 5-year contract ended 6/30/18

• Comptroller allowed 1-year extension to spend funds through 6/30/19

• CDs must spend funds from old contract, (FY 17-18 allocations and earlier), by 6/30/19.
In Addition: as of 2/11/19

- $35.5M currently under contract
- $10.5M spent on active contracts
- $25M contracted but not spent
- Of the $25M contracted, $15.9M is old money to be spent by 6/30/19

Going to be a very busy spring!
County Spending Status 2/11/19

- Counties currently spent out of old contract

- Counties with all old money committed, left to spend

- Counties with old money left to commit and spend

- Counties with old money left in Harrisburg
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- Counties currently **spent out of old contract**
**County Spending Status 2/11/19**

- Counties currently *spent out of old contract*
  - 8 DnG
  - 8 LVR

- Counties with all old money committed, *left to spend*
  - 30 DnG
  - 27 LVR
Examples:
- Counties with all old money committed, left to spend

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- **Starting Balance:** $167,041.30
- **Income:** $0.00
- **Expenses Total:** $0.00
- **Ending Balance:** $167,041.30

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- **Harrisburg Funds (Cur):** $0.00
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- **Amount Requested:** $0.00

### Spending Status

- **Current Balance:** $167,041.30
- **Committed Remaining:** $109,500.00
- **Uncommitted Balance:** $57,541.30

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- "Old Money" Balance: $19,826.59
- Currently Spent: $0.00
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Dirt and Gravel

27 CDs with "Old" Money to commit
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Counties have 5 months remaining to spend funding!!

Some districts are asking about the possibility of an extension. Remember -- we are already working in a one year extension.
DIRT AND GRAVEL ROAD MAINTENANCE
PROGRAM AGREEMENT

AMENDMENT NO. 2

This Dirt and Gravel Road Maintenance Program Agreement (Agreement) attached hereto, dated December 15, 2013 between the State Conservation Commission (Commission) and the County Conservation District (District), is hereby AMENDED as follows:

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Agreement allocated funds to the District for projects under the Dirt and Gravel Road Maintenance Program (Program);

WHEREAS, the Agreement and the policies set forth in the Administrative Manual adopted by the Commission for administration of the Program allow Districts up to 24 months to complete work on projects funded with each fiscal year’s appropriation;

WHEREAS, Section 1, Paragraph M of the Agreement provides that all project work under this Agreement shall be completed no later than June 30, 2018, which means that projects funded from the District’s 2017-18 appropriation would only have 12 months to complete those projects and therefore the District would not be able to use the full amount of funds appropriated during the final fiscal year of the Agreement;

WHEREAS, The Commission wishes to amend the Agreement by extending the Project completion date by one year in order to give the District the full 24 months to use its allocation for the 2017-18 fiscal year.

NOW THEREFORE, the parties hereto, intending to be legally bound, agree as follows:

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Current Workgroup Thoughts:

- Counties with unspent old funds
  - Reduce 2019-20 allocation by amount of unspent funds

- Counties with uncommitted old funds
  - Not Eligible for FY 2019-20 allocations

Exceptions may be granted.
Recommendation to be provided at future meeting.
Scenario 1

I have all my “Old” Money committed to active contracts. Am I ok?

MAYBE
Scenario 1: Potential Problem #1

Do you have all your eggs in one basket?

Example
1 large contract. If contract fails to be completed by June 30 or comes in under budget, no other options to spend the “Old Money”.
Scenario 1: Potential Problem #1

Do you have all your eggs in one basket?

Potential Solutions

• Enter into a new agreement with available funds and advance funds.
• Refine cost estimate for the large project and if it is much less than the original estimate, redo the contract to free up the overage. This overage can then be used to find new contracts.
Scenario 1: Potential Problem #2

Of the projects currently under contract, will they be completed by June 30?

Examples
1. A single municipality with multiple contracts. Will they be able to complete all the projects by June 30?
2. Several contracts waiting on permits? Will they arrive in time for construction to begin and projects to complete by June 30?
Scenario 1: Potential Problem #2

Of the projects currently under contract, will they be completed by June 30?

Potential Solutions

- Work with engineers and DEP to determine the status of the permits.
- If possible, phase contract into multiple contracts.

Example

Your existing contract calls for a permit-required stream crossing and drainage work on a mile long road. Phase project into two contracts. Phase 1: drainage work requiring no permit, which can begin immediately. Phase 2: permit-required stream crossing.
Scenario 1: Potential Problem #2

Of the projects currently under contract, will they be completed by June 30?

Potential Solutions

• For projects that definitely will not be completed by June 30, consider delaying contracts until the next advance is received. This will free up money to find additional contracts that will be able to be completed by the June 30 deadline.
Scenario 2

I still have “Old” Money to commit to projects. What can I do?

Potential Solutions

• Work with the Center staff to assist in finding potential projects.
• Get together with municipalities (i.e., a breakfast, “municipality day”, etc.) to discuss the urgency to find and apply for projects.
Scenario 2

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Potential Solutions cont...

- Consider immediately opening up the application period.
- Consider expediting the application approval process via discussions with your CD Board and QAB.
Ways to Move Money through the system

• Consider giving advances for existing contracts
  – Many CDs typically give %50

• Consider spending administrative and education funds
  – Must stay within your 10% max for both administrative and education expenses
  – Must be an approved expense as noted in the DGLVR Administrative Manual
  – Must be actual expenses with receipts
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Calls will review current status for your county

• Will Focus on (for both DGR and LVR):
  – Previous 5-Year Agreement Balance Remaining
  – Committed Remaining Balance
    • Amount of money remaining committed to active contracts
    • i.e., An $100,000 project with a $40,000 advance has a committed remaining balance of $60,000
  – Uncommitted Balance
    • Amount of money available to spend on new contracts, admin, and education.
  – Review projects and logistics
    • Will the projects currently under contract be completed by June 30?
    • How can we help you suggest ways to spend your “Old” money?
What do you need to do prior to our call?

• Keep the GIS Current (for both DGR and LVR):
  – Enter all contracts
  – Enter all payments
  – Enter actual administrative and education expenses, if known (i.e., update the current QR with as much info as possible)

• Will allow for an accurate snapshot of your Previous 5-Year Agreement remaining balance.
What do you need to do prior to our call?

• Have a good understanding of the current status of your active contracts.
  – Are they “shovel ready”?  
  – Are they waiting on permits? If so, can they be phased?
  – Will they be completed by June 30?

• The current status of future potential contracts.