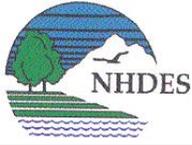


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DES Selects CEI of Merrimack to Help With State Water Resources Plan

Concord, NH - The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) has selected Comprehensive Environmental Inc. of Merrimack to assist in Phase I of the State Water Resources Plan.

Phase I of the Plan involves preparing an overview of existing statewide water resources, measures currently taken to protect them, and additional measures needed. The document will include input from various DES programs as well as community stakeholders and is expected to guide the development of a statewide water resources plan. Ultimately, the plan will help ensure that NH residents receive a high level of water quality and sufficient quantity as well as the necessary protection of essential environmental resources.

In selecting CEI over other competing contractors, DES noted the company's 20 years of experience with New Hampshire municipalities, water systems, and regional water supply projects; its demonstrated knowledge of New Hampshire water resources issues; and the firm's focus on water resources projects, especially areas such as projecting water demand, evaluating water supply alternatives, hydraulic modeling, streamflow assessment, and wastewater and stormwater management.

This is not the first statewide document CEI has been involved with. Just recently, CEI assisted the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (ME DEP) in the development of a 3-volume state-of-the-art stormwater best management practices manual (<http://www.maine.gov/dep/blwq/docstand/stormwater/stormwaterbmps>).

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