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Unlined Municipal Landfill & Incinerator Closure Grant Program

The state's Unlined Municipal Landfill and Incinerator Closure Grant Program provides financial assistance to municipalities for capital costs associated with landfill and/or incinerator closures. These grant programs are codified as RSA 149-M:41-50 and rules pertaining to the grant programs are in Chapter Env-Sw 1300 of the New Hampshire Solid Waste Rules.

All financial assistance to municipalities relating to this program is subject to the appropriation of funds by the Legislature. Since 1995, the funding has enabled DES to reimburse 118 municipalities for the closure of 111 unlined landfills and two incinerators.

The purpose of the grant programs is to reimburse municipalities 20 percent of the eligible capital costs associated with landfill and/or incinerator closures. These costs include:

- Hydrogeological elements.
- Engineering investigation and design.
- Construction of closure elements in accordance with plans and specifications approved by DES pursuant to the New Hampshire Solid Waste Rules.
- Construction supervision.

Eligible costs do not include land acquisition (except for land which is necessary to the physical elements of closure of an unlined landfill), administrative, legal and fiscal costs; and costs for post-closure monitoring and maintenance.

DES provides application forms and instructions necessary to apply for landfill and incinerator grants. To download the documents, please go to:

<http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/waste/swmb/fos/index.htm>.

For more information, please contact the DES Waste Management Division at (603) 271-0675.