



Board of County Commissioners

Public Works Committee

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING AN ADDITIONAL EXTENSION OF TIME FOR THE  
NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FISCAL YEAR 2021 LOCAL  
BRIDGE FUND PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the Salem County Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution #2021-054 on January 20, 2021 approving funding for a reimbursement Grant for the "Fiscal Year 2021 Local Bridge Fund Program"; and

**WHEREAS**, the Grant Agreement was executed by the County of Salem on June 15, 2022 which was Accepted and Executed by the adoption of Resolution #2022-232; and

**WHEREAS**, the Grant period commenced as of the date of the original notice of available funds which was April 30, 2021 and terminated on April 30, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the Salem County Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution #2024-137 on March 20, 2024 approving a six (6) month extension of the Grant period, making the new deadline of October 31, 2024 for the construction contract; and

**WHEREAS**, due to extraordinary circumstances list below:

- The deadline for the award of a construction contract is October 31, 2024.
- The design and permitting for the Camp Karney Dam and Bridge Rehabilitation and Bridge Replacement project is being performed by "Churchill Consulting Engineers" on behalf of Salem County.
- The project includes replacement of Avis Mill Bridge, County Bridge #1704-139 under the 2021 NJDOT Local Bridge Fund.
- During the design process changes were made to NJDEP regulations involving the precipitation values that need to be considered for dam rehabilitation projects in addition to precipitation changes to be used for stormwater management design.
- This change involved the need for design scope modifications by "Churchill Consulting Engineers".
- In order for the design to be completed in accordance with current NJDEP regulations a design contract scope modification was requested by "Churchill Consulting Engineers".
- The design contract scope modification has been approved by Salem County but an extension of time is needed for completion of design, submission of NJDEP permit applications and receipt of permits and NJDOT design approval prior to advertisement for bids.
- In order to award a construction contract prior to October 31, 2024, the anticipated advertisement date would be September 9, 2024 for receipt of bids on October 9, 2024; and award at the Commissioners meeting to be held on October 16, 2024.
- The change in regulations resulting in the need for design contract scope modifications and design changes; which in turn resulted in the need to request an extension of time to allow for completion of the permitting and bidding process; and

**WHEREAS**, the County Engineer and Administrator would like to request an additional six (6) month extension of the Grant period, making the new deadline for award of a construction contract April 30, 2025.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Salem County Board of County Commissioners authorizes a formal request be made to the New Jersey Department of Transportation to approve an additional extension to the Fiscal Year 2021 Bridge Fund Program until April 30, 2025.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true resolution adopted by the Salem County Board of County Commissioners on Wednesday, September 4, 2024.

  
STACY L. PENNINGTON  
Clerk of the Board

RECORD OF VOTE

COMMISSIONER	RESOLUTION MOVED	RESOLUTION SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
E. Ramsay	✓		✓			
C. Taylor		✓	✓			
D. Timmerman						✓
G. Ostrum Jr.						✓
B. Laury			✓			

✓ Indicates Vote

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