



Board of County Commissioners

Resolution No. 2026 – 102

Public Works Committee

RESOLUTION REQUESTING AN 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 October 31, 2024, for the construction contract; and

WHEREAS, the Salem County Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution #2024-374 on September 4, 2024, approving an additional six (6) month extension of the Grant period, making the new deadline April 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Salem County Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution #2025-338 on July 23, 2025, approving an additional six (6) month extension of the Grant period, making the new deadline October 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Salem County Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution #2025-490 on November 5, 2025, requesting approval of an additional six (6) month extension of the Grant period, making the new deadline April 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, due to the extraordinary circumstances, an extension of time to award a construction contract is being requested:

- 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 the 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.

- The change in regulations resulted 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.
- At the present time, permit applications filed are still under review by NJDEP Dam Safety; and

WHEREAS, the County Engineer and Administrator would like to request three (3) additional consecutive six (6) month extensions of the Grant period, making the new deadline for the Fiscal Year 2021 Local Bridge Fund Program, as follows,

- First Extension: from April 30, 2025, through October 30, 2025
- Second Extension: from October 30, 2025, through April 30, 2026
- Third Extension: from April 30, 2026, to October 30, 2026

For a total additional extension period of eighteen (18) months.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Salem County Board of County Commissioners, authorizes a formal request be made to the New Jersey Department of Transportation to approve three (3) additional consecutive six (6) month extensions to the Fiscal Year 2021 Bridge Fund program until October 30, 2026.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true resolution adopted by the Salem County Board of County Commissioners on February 18, 2026.


STACY L. PENNINGTON
Clerk of the Board

RECORD OF VOTE

| COMMISSIONER | RESOLUTION MOVED | RESOLUTION SECOND | AYE | NAY | ABSTAIN | ABSENT |
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| Deputy Director Taylor | | | ✓ | | | |
| Commissioner Timmerman | | ✓ | ✓ | | | |
| Commissioner Collier | ✓ | | ✓ | | | |
| Commissioner Ramsay | | | ✓ | | | |
| Director Laury | | | ✓ | | | |

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