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P.L. 2025, CHAPTER 44, *approved April 22, 2025*
Senate, No. 2594 (*Second Reprint*)

1 AN ACT appropriating \$22,431,294 from the “Dam, Lake, Stream,
2 Flood Control, Water Resources, and Wastewater Treatment
3 Project Bond Act of 2003,” P.L.2003, c.162, and \$6,239,630
4 from the “Green Acres, Clean Water, Farmland and Historic
5 Preservation Bond Act of 1992,” P.L.1992, c.88, to provide loans
6 for dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters
7 projects.

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9 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
10 of New Jersey:

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12 ²1. As used in this act:

13 “Dam restoration and repair project” means the same as the term
14 is defined in section 3 of P.L.2003, c.162.

15 “Dam restoration project” means the same as the term is defined
16 in section 3 of P.L.1992, c.88.

17 “Inland waters project” means the same as the term is defined in
18 section 3 of P.L.1992, c.88.²

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20 ²**[1.] 2.**² a. There is appropriated to the Department of
21 Environmental Protection from the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream
22 Project Revolving Loan Fund,” established pursuant to section 17 of
23 the “Dam, Lake, Stream, Flood Control, Water Resources, and
24 Wastewater Treatment Project Bond Act of 2003,” P.L.2003, c.162,
25 the sum of \$22,431,294, made available due to project cancellations,
26 withdrawals, cost savings, interest earnings, and loan repayments, for
27 the purpose of providing loans to owners of private dams, or private
28 lake associations or similar organizations, as co-applicants with local
29 government units, or to local government units that own dams, to
30 finance the costs of dam restoration and repair projects and inland
31 waters projects undertaken by, or on behalf of, the owners of dams or
32 lakes. This sum shall include administrative costs and shall be
33 allocated as follows:

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Senate SEN committee amendments adopted March 4, 2024.

²Senate floor amendments adopted May 13, 2024.

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Lake Winona Dam	Lake Winona Civic Assoc.	\$4,700,000
Cooper River Pkwy. Dam	Camden County	\$2,000,000
Giffords Mill Dam	Pinelands Regional School District	\$707,319
Upper & Lower Farm Crest	Farm Crest Acres Assoc.	\$350,000
Lake Plymouth Dam	Lake Plymouth Comm. Assoc.	\$1,200,000
Braddock Mill Lake Dam	Braddocks Mill Conservation Assoc.	\$1,046,800
Fawn Lake Dam	Deer Trail Lake Comm. Club	\$2,420,000
Camp Karney Dam	Salem County	\$3,400,000
Pine Mill Lake Dam	Pemberton Township	\$545,000
Holiday Pond Dam	Community Corp. of Highpoint, Inc.	\$750,000
High Crest Lake	High Crest Lake Lodge, Inc.	\$500,000
Administrative Costs		\$562,175

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2 b. Any unexpended funds remaining after completion of the
3 projects listed in subsection a. of this section shall be returned to the
4 “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving Loan Fund” for re-
5 appropriation to fund additional projects authorized by law.

6 c. Any transfer of any funds, or change in project sponsor or
7 project site, listed in subsection a. of this section shall require the
8 approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.

9 d. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental
10 Protection such sums as may be, or may become, available on or
11 before June 30, ¹[2023] 2024¹, due to interest earnings or loan
12 repayments to the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving
13 Loan Fund,” to fund the projects listed in subsection a. of this section,
14 and additional projects authorized by law.

15 e. The expenditures of sums appropriated by this section are
16 subject to the provisions and conditions set forth in P.L.2003, c.162.

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18 ²[2.] 3.² a. There is appropriated to the Department of
19 Environmental Protection from the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean
20 Water Trust Fund,” established pursuant to section 26 of the “Green
21 Acres, Clean Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation Bond Act of
22 1992,” P.L.1992, c.88, the sum of \$6,239,630 made available due to
23 project cancellations, withdrawals, cost savings, interest earnings, and
24 loan repayments, for the purpose of providing loans to assist local
25 government units, and private lake associations or similar
26 organizations or owners of private dams, as co-applicants with local
27 government units, to meet the costs of dam restoration and inland
28 waters projects. This sum shall be allocated as follows:

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Project Name	Applicant	Loan Amount
Mountain Creek Lake Dam	Mountain Creek Resort	\$3,000,000
Silver Lake Dam	Silver Lake Assoc.	\$289,630
Lake Garrison Dam	Lake Garrison, Inc.	\$2,850,000
Swannanoa Lake Dam	Lake Swannanoa Homeowners Assoc.	\$100,000

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2 b. Any unexpended funds remaining after completion of the
3 projects listed in subsection a. of this section shall be returned to the
4 “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust Fund” for re-
5 appropriation to fund additional projects authorized by law.

6 c. Any transfer of any funds, or change in project sponsor or
7 project site, listed in subsection ¹**[b.] a.** of this section shall require
8 the approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.

9 d. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental
10 Protection such sums as may be, or may become, available on or
11 before June 30, ¹**[2023] 2024¹**, due to interest earnings or loan
12 repayments to the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust
13 Fund,” to fund the projects listed in subsection a. of this section, and
14 additional projects authorized by law.

15 e. The expenditures of sums appropriated by this section are
16 subject to the provisions and conditions set forth in P.L.1992, c.88.

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18 ²**[3.] 4.**² This act shall take effect immediately.

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23 Appropriates \$28,670,924 in 2003 and 1992 bond act monies for
24 loans for dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters
25 projects.

CHAPTER 44

AN ACT appropriating \$22,431,294 from the “Dam, Lake, Stream, Flood Control, Water Resources, and Wastewater Treatment Project Bond Act of 2003,” P.L.2003, c.162, and \$6,239,630 from the “Green Acres, Clean Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation Bond Act of 1992,” P.L.1992, c.88, to provide loans for dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters projects.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. As used in this act:

"Dam restoration and repair project" means the same as the term is defined in section 3 of P.L.2003, c.162.

"Dam restoration project" means the same as the term is defined in section 3 of P.L.1992, c.88.

"Inland waters project" means the same as the term is defined in section 3 of P.L.1992, c.88.

2. a. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental Protection from the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving Loan Fund,” established pursuant to section 17 of the “Dam, Lake, Stream, Flood Control, Water Resources, and Wastewater Treatment Project Bond Act of 2003,” P.L.2003, c.162, the sum of \$22,431,294, made available due to project cancellations, withdrawals, cost savings, interest earnings, and loan repayments, for the purpose of providing loans to owners of private dams, or private lake associations or similar organizations, as co-applicants with local government units, or to local government units that own dams, to finance the costs of dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters projects undertaken by, or on behalf of, the owners of dams or lakes. This sum shall include administrative costs and shall be allocated as follows:

Dam Name	Applicant	LoanAmount
High Crest Lake Dam	High Crest Lake Lodge, Inc.	\$1,250,000
Mount Glen Dam	Mount Glen Lakes Assoc.	\$3,000,000
Lake Winona Dam	Lake Winona Civic Assoc.	\$4,700,000
Cooper River Pkwy. Dam	Camden County	\$2,000,000
Giffords Mill Dam	Pinelands Regional School District	\$707,319
Upper & Lower Farm Crest	Farm Crest Acres Assoc.	\$350,000
Lake Plymouth Dam	Lake Plymouth Comm. Assoc.	\$1,200,000
Braddock Mill Lake Dam	Braddocks Mill Conservation Assoc.	\$1,046,800
Fawn Lake Dam	Deer Trail Lake Comm. Club	\$2,420,000
Camp Karney Dam	Salem County	\$3,400,000
Pine Mill Lake Dam	Pemberton Township	\$545,000
Holiday Pond Dam	Community Corp. of Highpoint, Inc.	\$750,000
High Crest Lake	High Crest Lake Lodge, Inc.	\$500,000
Administrative Costs		\$562,175

b. Any unexpended funds remaining after completion of the projects listed in subsection a. of this section shall be returned to the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving Loan Fund” for re-appropriation to fund additional projects authorized by law.

c. Any transfer of any funds, or change in project sponsor or project site, listed in subsection a. of this section shall require the approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.

d. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental Protection such sums as may be, or may become, available on or before June 30, 2024, due to interest earnings or loan repayments to the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving Loan Fund,” to fund the projects listed in subsection a. of this section, and additional projects authorized by law.

e. The expenditures of sums appropriated by this section are subject to the provisions and conditions set forth in P.L.2003, c.162.

3. a. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental Protection from the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust Fund,” established pursuant to section 26 of the “Green Acres, Clean Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation Bond Act of 1992,” P.L.1992, c.88, the sum of \$6,239,630 made available due to project cancellations, withdrawals, cost savings, interest earnings, and loan repayments, for the purpose of providing loans to assist local government units, and private lake associations or similar organizations or owners of private dams, as co-applicants with local government units, to meet the costs of dam restoration and inland waters projects. This sum shall be allocated as follows:

Project Name	Applicant	Loan Amount
Mountain Creek Lake Dam	Mountain Creek Resort	\$3,000,000
Silver Lake Dam	Silver Lake Assoc.	\$289,630
Lake Garrison Dam	Lake Garrison, Inc.	\$2,850,000
Swannanoa Lake Dam	Lake Swannanoa Homeowners Assoc.	\$100,000

b. Any unexpended funds remaining after completion of the projects listed in subsection a. of this section shall be returned to the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust Fund” for re-appropriation to fund additional projects authorized by law.

c. Any transfer of any funds, or change in project sponsor or project site, listed in subsection a. of this section shall require the approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.

d. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental Protection such sums as may be, or may become, available on or before June 30, 2024, due to interest earnings or loan repayments to the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust Fund,” to fund the projects listed in subsection a. of this section, and additional projects authorized by law.

e. The expenditures of sums appropriated by this section are subject to the provisions and conditions set forth in P.L.1992, c.88.

4. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved April 22, 2025.

SENATE, No. 2594

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

221st LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 8, 2024

Sponsored by:

Senator ANTHONY M. BUCCO

District 25 (Morris and Passaic)

SYNOPSIS

Appropriates \$28,670,924 in 2003 and 1992 bond act monies for loans for dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters projects.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT appropriating \$22,431,294 from the “Dam, Lake, Stream,
 2 Flood Control, Water Resources, and Wastewater Treatment
 3 Project Bond Act of 2003,” P.L.2003, c.162, and \$6,239,630
 4 from the “Green Acres, Clean Water, Farmland and Historic
 5 Preservation Bond Act of 1992,” P.L.1992, c.88, to provide loans
 6 for dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters
 7 projects.

8
 9 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
 10 of New Jersey:

11
 12 1. a. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental
 13 Protection from the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project
 14 Revolving Loan Fund,” established pursuant to section 17 of the
 15 “Dam, Lake, Stream, Flood Control, Water Resources, and
 16 Wastewater Treatment Project Bond Act of 2003,” P.L.2003, c.162,
 17 the sum of \$22,431,294, made available due to project
 18 cancellations, withdrawals, cost savings, interest earnings, and loan
 19 repayments, for the purpose of providing loans to owners of private
 20 dams, or private lake associations or similar organizations, as co-
 21 applicants with local government units, or to local government units
 22 that own dams, to finance the costs of dam restoration and repair
 23 projects and inland waters projects undertaken by, or on behalf of,
 24 the owners of dams or lakes. This sum shall include administrative
 25 costs and shall be allocated as follows:

26

Dam Name	Applicant	Loan Amount
High Crest Lake Dam	High Crest Lake Lodge, Inc.	\$1,250,000
Mount Glen Dam	Mount Glen Lakes Assoc.	\$3,000,000
Lake Winona Dam	Lake Winona Civic Assoc.	\$4,700,000
Cooper River Pkwy. Dam	Camden County	\$2,000,000
Giffords Mill Dam	Pinelands Regional School District	\$707,319
Upper & Lower Farm Crest	Farm Crest Acres Assoc.	\$350,000
Lake Plymouth Dam	Lake Plymouth Comm. Assoc.	\$1,200,000
Braddock Mill Lake Dam	Braddocks Mill Conservation Assoc.	\$1,046,800
Fawn Lake Dam	Deer Trail Lake Comm. Club	\$2,420,000
Camp Karney Dam	Salem County	\$3,400,000
Pine Mill Lake Dam	Pemberton Township	\$545,000
Holiday Pond Dam	Community Corp. of Highpoint, Inc.	\$750,000
High Crest Lake	High Crest Lake Lodge, Inc.	\$500,000
Administrative Costs		\$562,175

27
 28 b. Any unexpended funds remaining after completion of the
 29 projects listed in subsection a. of this section shall be returned to
 30 the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving Loan Fund” for
 31 re-appropriation to fund additional projects authorized by law.

1 c. Any transfer of any funds, or change in project sponsor or
2 project site, listed in subsection a. of this section shall require the
3 approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.

4 d. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental
5 Protection such sums as may be, or may become, available on or
6 before June 30, 2023, due to interest earnings or loan repayments to
7 the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving Loan Fund,” to
8 fund the projects listed in subsection a. of this section, and
9 additional projects authorized by law.

10 e. The expenditures of sums appropriated by this section are
11 subject to the provisions and conditions set forth in P.L.2003, c.162.

12
13 2. a. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental
14 Protection from the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust
15 Fund,” established pursuant to section 26 of the “Green Acres,
16 Clean Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation Bond Act of
17 1992,” P.L.1992, c.88, the sum of \$6,239,630 made available due to
18 project cancellations, withdrawals, cost savings, interest earnings,
19 and loan repayments, for the purpose of providing loans to assist
20 local government units, and private lake associations or similar
21 organizations or owners of private dams, as co-applicants with local
22 government units, to meet the costs of dam restoration and inland
23 waters projects. This sum shall be allocated as follows:

Project Name	Applicant	Loan Amount
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25
26 b. Any unexpended funds remaining after completion of the
27 projects listed in subsection a. of this section shall be returned to
28 the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust Fund” for re-
29 appropriation to fund additional projects authorized by law.

30 c. Any transfer of any funds, or change in project sponsor or
31 project site, listed in subsection b. of this section shall require the
32 approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.

33 d. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental
34 Protection such sums as may be, or may become, available on or
35 before June 30, 2023, due to interest earnings or loan repayments to
36 the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust Fund,” to fund
37 the projects listed in subsection a. of this section, and additional
38 projects authorized by law.

39 e. The expenditures of sums appropriated by this section are
40 subject to the provisions and conditions set forth in P.L.1992, c.88.

1 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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STATEMENT

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6 This bill appropriates \$28,670,924 in 2003 and 1992 bond act
7 monies for loans for dam restoration and repair projects and inland
8 waters projects, including administrative costs, for 17 projects
9 identified in the bill.

10 Of this funding: \$22,431,294 is from the “2003 Dam, Lake and
11 Stream Project Revolving Loan Fund,” established pursuant to
12 section 17 of the “Dam, Lake, Stream, Flood Control, Water
13 Resources, and Wastewater Treatment Project Bond Act of 2003,”
14 P.L.2003, c.162; and \$6,239,630 is from the “1992 Dam Restoration
15 and Clean Water Trust Fund,” established pursuant to section 26 of
16 the “Green Acres, Clean Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation
17 Bond Act of 1992,” P.L.1992, c.88. These monies are made
18 available due to project cancellations, withdrawals, cost savings,
19 interest earnings, and loan repayments.

20 The funds from the 2003 bond act will provide 13 loans to
21 owners of private dams, or private lake associations or similar
22 organizations, as co-applicants with local government units, or to
23 local government units that own dams, to finance the costs of dam
24 restoration and repair projects undertaken by, or on behalf of, the
25 owners of dams and to an inland waters project. The funds from the
26 1992 bond act will provide four loans to assist private lake
27 associations or similar organizations or owners of private dams, as
28 co-applicants with local government units, to meet the costs of dam
29 restoration projects.

30 In addition, the bill appropriates monies that may be, or may
31 become, available on or before June 30, 2023, due to interest
32 earnings or loan repayments to the 2003 and 1992 fund, as
33 appropriate, to fund projects listed in the bill and additional projects
34 authorized by law.

[First Reprint]

SENATE, No. 2594

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

221st LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 8, 2024

Sponsored by:

Senator ANTHONY M. BUCCO

District 25 (Morris and Passaic)

Senator BOB SMITH

District 17 (Middlesex and Somerset)

Co-Sponsored by:

Senator Space

SYNOPSIS

Appropriates \$28,670,924 in 2003 and 1992 bond act monies for loans for dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters projects.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Senate Environment and Energy Committee on March 4, 2024, with amendments.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 5/6/2024)

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5 Preservation Bond Act of 1992,” P.L.1992, c.88, to provide loans
6 for dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters
7 projects.

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9 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
10 *of New Jersey:*

11
12 1. a. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental
13 Protection from the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving
14 Loan Fund,” established pursuant to section 17 of the “Dam, Lake,
15 Stream, Flood Control, Water Resources, and Wastewater Treatment
16 Project Bond Act of 2003,” P.L.2003, c.162, the sum of \$22,431,294,
17 made available due to project cancellations, withdrawals, cost savings,
18 interest earnings, and loan repayments, for the purpose of providing
19 loans to owners of private dams, or private lake associations or similar
20 organizations, as co-applicants with local government units, or to local
21 government units that own dams, to finance the costs of dam
22 restoration and repair projects and inland waters projects undertaken
23 by, or on behalf of, the owners of dams or lakes. This sum shall
24 include administrative costs and shall be allocated as follows:

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27 b. Any unexpended funds remaining after completion of the
28 projects listed in subsection a. of this section shall be returned to the
29 “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving Loan Fund” for re-
30 appropriation to fund additional projects authorized by law.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Senate SEN committee amendments adopted March 4, 2024.

1 c. Any transfer of any funds, or change in project sponsor or
 2 project site, listed in subsection a. of this section shall require the
 3 approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.

4 d. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental
 5 Protection such sums as may be, or may become, available on or
 6 before June 30, ¹~~2023~~ 2024¹, due to interest earnings or loan
 7 repayments to the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving
 8 Loan Fund,” to fund the projects listed in subsection a. of this section,
 9 and additional projects authorized by law.

10 e. The expenditures of sums appropriated by this section are
 11 subject to the provisions and conditions set forth in P.L.2003, c.162.
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13 2. a. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental
 14 Protection from the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust
 15 Fund,” established pursuant to section 26 of the “Green Acres, Clean
 16 Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation Bond Act of 1992,”
 17 P.L.1992, c.88, the sum of \$6,239,630 made available due to project
 18 cancellations, withdrawals, cost savings, interest earnings, and loan
 19 repayments, for the purpose of providing loans to assist local
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 21 organizations or owners of private dams, as co-applicants with local
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 34 Protection such sums as may be, or may become, available on or
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 36 repayments to the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust
 37 Fund,” to fund the projects listed in subsection a. of this section, and
 38 additional projects authorized by law.

39 e. The expenditures of sums appropriated by this section are
 40 subject to the provisions and conditions set forth in P.L.1992, c.88.
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42 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

[Second Reprint]

SENATE, No. 2594

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

221st LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 8, 2024

Sponsored by:

Senator ANTHONY M. BUCCO

District 25 (Morris and Passaic)

Senator BOB SMITH

District 17 (Middlesex and Somerset)

Assemblyman DAVID BAILEY, JR.

District 3 (Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem)

Assemblywoman DAWN FANTASIA

District 24 (Morris, Sussex and Warren)

Assemblyman LOUIS D. GREENWALD

District 6 (Burlington and Camden)

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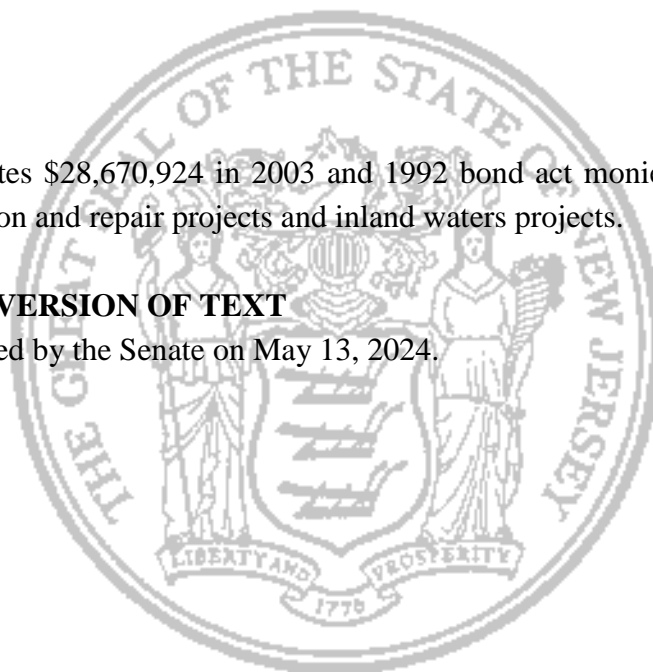
**Senator Space, Assemblymen Inganamort, Torrissi, Assemblywoman
Dunn, Assemblymen Barranco, Myhre, Rumpf, Assemblywoman Katz,
Assemblymen Spearman and Moen**

SYNOPSIS

Appropriates \$28,670,924 in 2003 and 1992 bond act monies for loans for dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters projects.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As amended by the Senate on May 13, 2024.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 3/24/2025)

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17 “Inland waters project” means the same as the term is defined in
 18 section 3 of P.L.1992, c.88.²

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 20 ²**[1.] 2.**² a. There is appropriated to the Department of
 21 Environmental Protection from the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream
 22 Project Revolving Loan Fund,” established pursuant to section 17 of
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 25 the sum of \$22,431,294, made available due to project cancellations,
 26 withdrawals, cost savings, interest earnings, and loan repayments, for
 27 the purpose of providing loans to owners of private dams, or private
 28 lake associations or similar organizations, as co-applicants with local
 29 government units, or to local government units that own dams, to
 30 finance the costs of dam restoration and repair projects and inland
 31 waters projects undertaken by, or on behalf of, the owners of dams or
 32 lakes. This sum shall include administrative costs and shall be
 33 allocated as follows:
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Dam Name	Applicant	Loan Amount
High Crest Lake Dam	High Crest Lake Lodge, Inc.	\$1,250,000
Mount Glen Dam	Mount Glen Lakes Assoc.	\$3,000,000
Lake Winona Dam	Lake Winona Civic Assoc.	\$4,700,000
Cooper River Pkwy. Dam	Camden County	\$2,000,000
Giffords Mill Dam	Pinelands Regional School District	\$707,319
Upper & Lower Farm Crest	Farm Crest Acres Assoc.	\$350,000
Lake Plymouth Dam	Lake Plymouth Comm. Assoc.	\$1,200,000
Braddock Mill Lake Dam	Braddocks Mill Conservation Assoc.	\$1,046,800
Fawn Lake Dam	Deer Trail Lake Comm. Club	\$2,420,000

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Senate SEN committee amendments adopted March 4, 2024.

²Senate floor amendments adopted May 13, 2024.

Camp Karney Dam	Salem County	\$3,400,000
Pine Mill Lake Dam	Pemberton Township	\$545,000
Holiday Pond Dam	Community Corp. of Highpoint, Inc.	\$750,000
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Administrative Costs		\$562,175

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2 b. Any unexpended funds remaining after completion of the
3 projects listed in subsection a. of this section shall be returned to the
4 “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving Loan Fund” for re-
5 appropriation to fund additional projects authorized by law.

6 c. Any transfer of any funds, or change in project sponsor or
7 project site, listed in subsection a. of this section shall require the
8 approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.

9 d. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental
10 Protection such sums as may be, or may become, available on or
11 before June 30, ¹[2023] 2024¹, due to interest earnings or loan
12 repayments to the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving
13 Loan Fund,” to fund the projects listed in subsection a. of this section,
14 and additional projects authorized by law.

15 e. The expenditures of sums appropriated by this section are
16 subject to the provisions and conditions set forth in P.L.2003, c.162.

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18 ²[2.] 3.² a. There is appropriated to the Department of
19 Environmental Protection from the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean
20 Water Trust Fund,” established pursuant to section 26 of the “Green
21 Acres, Clean Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation Bond Act of
22 1992,” P.L.1992, c.88, the sum of \$6,239,630 made available due to
23 project cancellations, withdrawals, cost savings, interest earnings, and
24 loan repayments, for the purpose of providing loans to assist local
25 government units, and private lake associations or similar
26 organizations or owners of private dams, as co-applicants with local
27 government units, to meet the costs of dam restoration and inland
28 waters projects. This sum shall be allocated as follows:

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Project Name	Applicant	Loan Amount
Mountain Creek Lake Dam	Mountain Creek Resort	\$3,000,000
Silver Lake Dam	Silver Lake Assoc.	\$289,630
Lake Garrison Dam	Lake Garrison, Inc.	\$2,850,000
Swannanoa Lake Dam	Lake Swannanoa Homeowners Assoc.	\$100,000

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31 b. Any unexpended funds remaining after completion of the
32 projects listed in subsection a. of this section shall be returned to the
33 “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust Fund” for re-
34 appropriation to fund additional projects authorized by law.

35 c. Any transfer of any funds, or change in project sponsor or
36 project site, listed in subsection ¹[b.] a.¹ of this section shall require
37 the approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.

- 1 d. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental
2 Protection such sums as may be, or may become, available on or
3 before June 30, ¹~~2023~~ 2024¹, due to interest earnings or loan
4 repayments to the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust
5 Fund,” to fund the projects listed in subsection a. of this section, and
6 additional projects authorized by law.
- 7 e. The expenditures of sums appropriated by this section are
8 subject to the provisions and conditions set forth in P.L.1992, c.88.
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- 10 ²~~3.~~ 4.² This act shall take effect immediately.

ASSEMBLY ENVIRONMENT, NATURAL RESOURCES, AND
SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[Second Reprint]
SENATE, No. 2594

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 10, 2025

The Assembly Environment, Natural Resources, and Solid Waste Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2594 (2R).

This bill appropriates \$28,670,924 in 2003 and 1992 bond act monies for loans for dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters projects, including administrative costs, for 17 projects identified in the bill.

Of this funding: \$22,431,294 is from the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving Loan Fund,” established pursuant to section 17 of the “Dam, Lake, Stream, Flood Control, Water Resources, and Wastewater Treatment Project Bond Act of 2003,” P.L.2003, c.162; and \$6,239,630 is from the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust Fund,” established pursuant to section 26 of the “Green Acres, Clean Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation Bond Act of 1992,” P.L.1992, c.88. These monies are made available due to project cancellations, withdrawals, cost savings, interest earnings, and loan repayments.

The funds from the 2003 bond act will provide 13 loans to owners of private dams, or private lake associations or similar organizations, as co-applicants with local government units, or to local government units that own dams, to finance the costs of dam restoration and repair projects undertaken by, or on behalf of, the owners of dams and to an inland waters project. The funds from the 1992 bond act will provide four loans to assist private lake associations or similar organizations or owners of private dams, as co-applicants with local government units, to meet the costs of dam restoration projects.

In addition, the bill appropriates monies that may be, or may become, available on or before June 30, 2024, due to interest earnings or loan repayments to the 2003 and 1992 fund, as appropriate, to fund projects listed in the bill and additional projects authorized by law.

As reported by the committee, Senate Bill No. 2594 (2R) is identical to Assembly Bill No. 3951, as amended and reported by the committee on this date.

ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

[Second Reprint]

SENATE, No. 2594

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 20, 2025

The Assembly Appropriations Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2594 (2R).

As reported, the bill appropriates \$28,670,924 in 2003 and 1992 bond act monies for loans for dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters projects, including administrative costs, for 17 projects identified in the bill.

Of this funding: \$22,431,294 is from the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving Loan Fund,” established pursuant to section 17 of the “Dam, Lake, Stream, Flood Control, Water Resources, and Wastewater Treatment Project Bond Act of 2003,” P.L.2003, c.162; and \$6,239,630 is from the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust Fund,” established pursuant to section 26 of the “Green Acres, Clean Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation Bond Act of 1992,” P.L.1992, c.88. These monies are made available due to project cancellations, withdrawals, cost savings, interest earnings, and loan repayments.

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In addition, the bill appropriates monies that may be, or may become, available on or before June 30, 2024, due to interest earnings or loan repayments to the 2003 and 1992 fund, as appropriate, to fund projects listed in the bill and additional projects authorized by law.

As reported by the committee, Senate Bill No. 2594 (2R) is identical to Assembly Bill No. 3951 (ACS), which was also reported by the committee on this date.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This bill is not certified as requiring a fiscal note.

SENATE ENVIRONMENT AND ENERGY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2594

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 4, 2024

The Senate Environment and Energy Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 2594.

This bill appropriates \$28,670,924 in 2003 and 1992 bond act monies for loans for dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters projects, including administrative costs, for 17 projects identified in the bill.

Of this funding: \$22,431,294 is from the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving Loan Fund,” established pursuant to section 17 of the “Dam, Lake, Stream, Flood Control, Water Resources, and Wastewater Treatment Project Bond Act of 2003,” P.L.2003, c.162; and \$6,239,630 is from the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust Fund,” established pursuant to section 26 of the “Green Acres, Clean Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation Bond Act of 1992,” P.L.1992, c.88. These monies are made available due to project cancellations, withdrawals, cost savings, interest earnings, and loan repayments.

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In addition, the bill appropriates monies that may be, or may become, available on or before June 30, 2024, due to interest earnings or loan repayments to the 2003 and 1992 fund, as appropriate, to fund projects listed in the bill and additional projects authorized by law.

The committee amendments to the bill:

- (1) update a reference to fiscal year 2023 to fiscal year 2024; and
- (2) make a technical correction.

STATEMENT TO
[First Reprint]
SENATE, No. 2594

with Senate Floor Amendments
(Proposed by Senator BUCCO)

ADOPTED: MAY 13, 2024

This floor amendment would add a definitions section to the bill, in order to clarify that the projects funded by the bill are consistent with the projects authorized to be funded by the "Green Acres, Clean Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation Bond Act of 1992," and the "Dam, Lake, Stream, Flood Control, Water Resources, and Wastewater Treatment Project Bond Act of 2003," the sources of funding for the projects financed in the bill.

ASSEMBLY, No. 3951

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

221st LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED MARCH 4, 2024

Sponsored by:

Assemblywoman DAWN FANTASIA
District 24 (Morris, Sussex and Warren)

Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblymen Inganamort, Torrissi, Assemblywoman Dunn, Assemblymen Barranco, Myhre and Rumpf

SYNOPSIS

Appropriates \$28,670,924 in 2003 and 1992 bond act monies for loans for dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters projects.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 1/30/2025)

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1 AN ACT appropriating \$22,431,294 from the “Dam, Lake, Stream,
2 Flood Control, Water Resources, and Wastewater Treatment
3 Project Bond Act of 2003,” P.L.2003, c.162, and \$6,239,630
4 from the “Green Acres, Clean Water, Farmland and Historic
5 Preservation Bond Act of 1992,” P.L.1992, c.88, to provide loans
6 for dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters
7 projects.

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9 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
10 of New Jersey:

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12 1. a. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental
13 Protection from the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project
14 Revolving Loan Fund,” established pursuant to section 17 of the
15 “Dam, Lake, Stream, Flood Control, Water Resources, and
16 Wastewater Treatment Project Bond Act of 2003,” P.L.2003, c.162,
17 the sum of \$22,431,294, made available due to project
18 cancellations, withdrawals, cost savings, interest earnings, and loan
19 repayments, for the purpose of providing loans to owners of private
20 dams, or private lake associations or similar organizations, as co-
21 applicants with local government units, or to local government units
22 that own dams, to finance the costs of dam restoration and repair
23 projects and inland waters projects undertaken by, or on behalf of,
24 the owners of dams or lakes. This sum shall include administrative
25 costs and shall be allocated as follows:

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High Crest Lake	High Crest Lake Lodge, Inc.	\$500,000
Administrative Costs		\$562,175

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28 b. Any unexpended funds remaining after completion of the
29 projects listed in subsection a. of this section shall be returned to
30 the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving Loan Fund” for
31 re-appropriation to fund additional projects authorized by law.

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1 c. Any transfer of any funds, or change in project sponsor or
2 project site, listed in subsection a. of this section shall require the
3 approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.

4 d. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental
5 Protection such sums as may be, or may become, available on or
6 before June 30, 2023, due to interest earnings or loan repayments to
7 the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving Loan Fund,” to
8 fund the projects listed in subsection a. of this section, and
9 additional projects authorized by law.

10 e. The expenditures of sums appropriated by this section are
11 subject to the provisions and conditions set forth in P.L.2003, c.162.

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13 2. a. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental
14 Protection from the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust
15 Fund,” established pursuant to section 26 of the “Green Acres,
16 Clean Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation Bond Act of
17 1992,” P.L.1992, c.88, the sum of \$6,239,630 made available due to
18 project cancellations, withdrawals, cost savings, interest earnings,
19 and loan repayments, for the purpose of providing loans to assist
20 local government units, and private lake associations or similar
21 organizations or owners of private dams, as co-applicants with local
22 government units, to meet the costs of dam restoration and inland
23 waters projects. This sum shall be allocated as follows:
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Project Name	Applicant	Loan Amount
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26 b. Any unexpended funds remaining after completion of the
27 projects listed in subsection a. of this section shall be returned to
28 the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust Fund” for re-
29 appropriation to fund additional projects authorized by law.

30 c. Any transfer of any funds, or change in project sponsor or
31 project site, listed in subsection b. of this section shall require the
32 approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.

33 d. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental
34 Protection such sums as may be, or may become, available on or
35 before June 30, 2023, due to interest earnings or loan repayments to
36 the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust Fund,” to fund
37 the projects listed in subsection a. of this section, and additional
38 projects authorized by law.

39 e. The expenditures of sums appropriated by this section are
40 subject to the provisions and conditions set forth in P.L.1992, c.88.

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42 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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In addition, the bill appropriates monies that may be, or may become, available on or before June 30, 2023, due to interest earnings or loan repayments to the 2003 and 1992 fund, as appropriate, to fund projects listed in the bill and additional projects authorized by law.

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
ASSEMBLY, No. 3951

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
221st LEGISLATURE

ADOPTED MARCH 10, 2025

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman DAVID BAILEY, JR.
District 3 (Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem)
Assemblywoman DAWN FANTASIA
District 24 (Morris, Sussex and Warren)
Assemblyman LOUIS D. GREENWALD
District 6 (Burlington and Camden)

Co-Sponsored by:

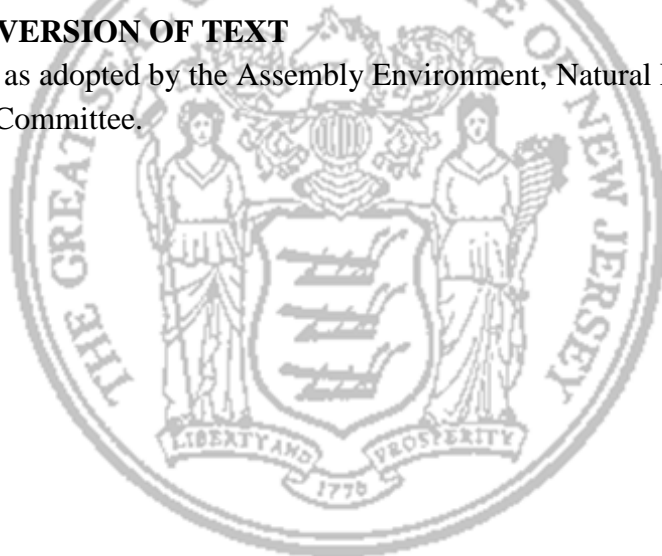
Assemblymen Inganamort, Torrissi, Assemblywoman Dunn, Assemblymen Barranco, Myhre, Rumpf, Assemblywoman Katz, Assemblymen Spearman and Moen

SYNOPSIS

Appropriates \$28,670,924 in 2003 and 1992 bond act monies for loans for dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters projects.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Substitute as adopted by the Assembly Environment, Natural Resources, and Solid Waste Committee.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 3/24/2025)

1 **AN ACT** appropriating \$22,431,294 from the “Dam, Lake, Stream,
 2 Flood Control, Water Resources, and Wastewater Treatment
 3 Project Bond Act of 2003,” P.L.2003, c.162, and \$6,239,630
 4 from the “Green Acres, Clean Water, Farmland and Historic
 5 Preservation Bond Act of 1992,” P.L.1992, c.88, to provide loans
 6 for dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters
 7 projects.

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 9 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
 10 of New Jersey:

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 12 1. As used in this act:

13 "Dam restoration and repair project" means the same as the term
 14 is defined in section 3 of P.L.2003, c.162.

15 "Dam restoration project" means the same as the term is defined
 16 in section 3 of P.L.1992, c.88.

17 "Inland waters project" means the same as the term is defined in
 18 section 3 of P.L.1992, c.88.

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 20 2. a. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental
 21 Protection from the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving
 22 Loan Fund,” established pursuant to section 17 of the “Dam, Lake,
 23 Stream, Flood Control, Water Resources, and Wastewater Treatment
 24 Project Bond Act of 2003,” P.L.2003, c.162, the sum of \$22,431,294,
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 26 interest earnings, and loan repayments, for the purpose of providing
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 28 organizations, as co-applicants with local government units, or to local
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 32 include administrative costs and shall be allocated as follows:
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1 b. Any unexpended funds remaining after completion of the
 2 projects listed in subsection a. of this section shall be returned to the
 3 “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving Loan Fund” for re-
 4 appropriation to fund additional projects authorized by law.

5 c. Any transfer of any funds, or change in project sponsor or
 6 project site, listed in subsection a. of this section shall require the
 7 approval of the Joint Budget Oversight Committee or its successor.

8 d. There is appropriated to the Department of Environmental
 9 Protection such sums as may be, or may become, available on or
 10 before June 30, 2024, due to interest earnings or loan repayments to
 11 the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving Loan Fund,” to
 12 fund the projects listed in subsection a. of this section, and additional
 13 projects authorized by law.

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 18 Protection from the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust
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 20 Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation Bond Act of 1992,”
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 38 Protection such sums as may be, or may become, available on or
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 40 the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust Fund,” to fund the

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2 authorized by law.

3 e. The expenditures of sums appropriated by this section are
4 subject to the provisions and conditions set forth in P.L.1992, c.88.

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6 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

ASSEMBLY ENVIRONMENT, NATURAL RESOURCES, AND
SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 3951

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 10, 2025

The Assembly Environment, Natural Resources, and Solid Waste Committee reports favorably an Assembly Committee Substitute for Assembly Bill No. 3951.

This committee substitute appropriates \$28,670,924 in 2003 and 1992 bond act monies for loans for dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters projects, including administrative costs, for 17 projects identified in the bill.

Of this funding: \$22,431,294 is from the “2003 Dam, Lake and Stream Project Revolving Loan Fund,” established pursuant to section 17 of the “Dam, Lake, Stream, Flood Control, Water Resources, and Wastewater Treatment Project Bond Act of 2003,” P.L.2003, c.162; and \$6,239,630 is from the “1992 Dam Restoration and Clean Water Trust Fund,” established pursuant to section 26 of the “Green Acres, Clean Water, Farmland and Historic Preservation Bond Act of 1992,” P.L.1992, c.88. These monies are made available due to project cancellations, withdrawals, cost savings, interest earnings, and loan repayments.

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In addition, the bill appropriates monies that may be, or may become, available on or before June 30, 2024, due to interest earnings or loan repayments to the 2003 and 1992 fund, as appropriate, to fund projects listed in the bill and additional projects authorized by law.

As reported by the committee, the committee substitute for Assembly Bill No. 3951 is identical to Senate Bill No. 2594 (2R), which was also reported by the committee on this date.

ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
ASSEMBLY, No. 3951

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 20, 2025

The Assembly Appropriations Committee reports favorably the Assembly Committee Substitute for Assembly Bill No. 3951.

As reported, this bill appropriates \$28,670,924 in 2003 and 1992 bond act monies for loans for dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters projects, including administrative costs, for 17 projects identified in the bill.

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As reported by the committee, this bill is identical to Senate Bill No. 2594 (2R), which was also reported by the committee on this date.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This bill is not certified as requiring a fiscal note.

Governor Murphy Takes Action on Legislation

04/22/2025

TRENTON – Today, Governor Murphy signed the following bills into law:

S-742/A-2609 (Diegnan/Karabinchak, Carter, DePhillips) - Appropriates unexpended funds from “New Jersey Bridge Rehabilitation and Improvement and Railroad Right-of-way Preservation Bond Act of 1989”

S-3620/A-4817 (Burzichelli, Turner/Bailey, Simmons, Miller) - Requires electric and gas public utilities to establish “Energy Bill Watch” program and include certain information in bills and notices to customers

S-3388/A-4391 (Singleton, Gopal/Katz, Donlon, Stanley) - Allows pharmacists to transfer Schedule II attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder prescriptions

A-5067/S-3918 (Karabinchak, Stanley, Coughlin/Diegnan) - Requires appointment of alternate members of Peter J. Barnes III Wildlife Preservation Commission

S-2594/A-3951 (Bucco, Smith/Bailey, Fantasia, Greenwald) - Appropriates \$28,670,924 in 2003 and 1992 bond act monies for loans for dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters projects

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Bucco Bill to Restore Dams and Inland Waters Projects Signed into Law

Seventeen dams and inland waters projects will receive an increase in funding for repairs and restoration thanks to legislation sponsored by Senate Republican Leader Anthony M. Bucco (R-25) and signed into law today by Governor Murphy.



"I'm glad that over \$28M will be invested to fund projects in a number of municipalities in my District and around the State. These critical dam repairs will preserve and protect our local environment, which is critical to our quality of life," said Bucco. "This funding will also protect the flow of clean drinking water to communities throughout the State, support recreational activities, and provide habitats for fish and wildlife."

Bucco's legislation, S-2594, appropriates \$28,670,924 in 2003 and 1992 bond act monies for loans for dam restoration and repair projects and inland waters projects.

Under the bill, \$5.2M dollars will be invested to fund projects in Morris and Passaic counties, including projects in West Milford and Jefferson Township:

- High Crest Lake Dam: \$1,250,000
- Mount Glen Dam: \$3,000,000
- Upper & Lower Farm Crest Dams: \$350,000
- High Crest Lake: \$500,000
- Swannanoa Lake Dam: \$100,000
- Lake Winona Dam: \$4,700,000

Overall, the funds from the 2003 bond act will provide loans to thirteen projects: High Crest Lake Dam; Mount Glen Dam; Lake Winona Dam; Cooper River Pkwy. Dam; Giffords Mill Dam; Upper & Lower Farm Crest; Lake Plymouth Dam; Braddock Mill Lake Dam; Fawn Lake Dam; Camp Karney Dam; Pine Mill Lake Dam; Holiday Pond Dam; and High Crest Lake.

The funds from the 1992 bond act will provide four loans for the following projects: Mountain Creek Lake Dam; Silver Lake Dam; Lake Garrison Dam; and Swannanoa Lake Dam.

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Funding for Critical Dam Repairs Signed into Law

Assemblywoman Dawn Fantasia's bill funding over a dozen dam restoration and repair projects in the state was signed into law on Tuesday.



The measure ([A3951/S2594](#)) taps into \$28.7 million in unused funds from a 1992 clean water bond and a 2003 flood control bond to finance the costs of 17 dam restoration and repair projects. It was first introduced in 2022 by Republicans, but it didn't move in the Democrat-controlled Legislature until members of the majority party decided to sponsor it in 2024.

"It is inexplicable that this legislation has not moved sooner – specific dams pose serious threats to public safety and environmental stability. We cannot afford to wait when lives and livelihoods are at stake," Fantasia (R-Sussex) said. "Maintaining dams by performing the proper repairs is the best way to protect our residents, businesses and natural assets."

According to the state Department of Environmental Protection's Bureau of Dam Safety, there are 1,730 regulated dams in New Jersey, many of which are concentrated in the northern and central parts of the state. Nearly half of the dams are privately owned.

The new law allows owners of private dams and lake associations to work with local governments to receive the loans to carry out the repairs.

"Sussex County is home to the most dams in New Jersey. We also have a large portion of dams that would cause significant destruction and economic losses if they were to fail," Fantasia said. "Although New Jersey has been largely fortunate to be spared from catastrophic dam failures, even small failures can cause damage that come with hefty cleanup costs."

While New Jersey has not been included in any FEMA disaster declarations directly related to dam failures, six dams failed and 51 were damaged during 2011's Tropical Storm Irene. That storm resulted in the largest coastal evacuation in state history, over \$760 million in property damage, and the loss of 12 lives.

“Our lakes and reservoirs enhance the beauty of New Jersey by providing unmatched recreational opportunities and wildlife habitats,” Fantasia said.

“This funding ensures that necessary repairs can proceed without delay, using resources already available. Investments like this represent a commitment to preserving our way of life and ensuring our infrastructure can weather future storms.”