

**113172**

DATE: March 6, 2026

TO: The Honorable Board of Acquisition and Contract

FROM: Sherlita Amler, M.D.  
Commissioner of Health

Re: Authorization to enter into a State Private Well PFAS Testing and Mitigation Rebate Program (“PFAS Testing Program”) through a County Participation Agreement with the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation whereby Westchester County, acting by and through its Department of Health (“WCDH”), will be authorized to seek disbursements from the PFAS Testing Program Fund to reimburse property owners for eligible costs of private well system projects, in the maximum aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$1,500,000, subject to allowable reimbursement guidelines, for a term commencing retroactively on December 31, 2025 and continuing through December 31, 2032

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The County of Westchester (“County”), acting by and through its Department of Health (the “WCDH”), requests authorization to enter into a State Private Well PFAS Testing and Mitigation Rebate Program (“PFAS Testing Program”) through a County Participation Agreement with the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (“Corporation”) to seek disbursements from the PFAS Testing Program Fund to reimburse property owners for eligible costs of private well system projects, in the maximum aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$1,500,000, subject to allowable reimbursement guidelines, for a term commencing retroactively on December 31, 2025 and continuing through December 31, 2032 (“Agreement”).

Last year, the County signed a Commitment Letter from the Corporation which communicated its intent to participate in the PFAS Testing Program.

The Agreement will serve to protect the public health, safety and welfare of residents by ensuring that Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl chemicals (“PFAS”) are minimized in private wells to treat, filter and remove chemicals to established minimum levels.

Under the terms of the Agreement, “Eligible Costs” to be reimbursed shall mean costs associated with one of the following remedies for mitigating and treating or addressing PFAS in an Impacted Well located within the County which shall include: (1) up to \$5,000 per project for the installation of a POETS and associated eligible costs; (2) in unique circumstances up to \$1,000 per project for the installation of one or more of a POUTS and associated eligible costs; (3) up to \$10,000 per project for a service connection to an existing Public Water System and associated eligible costs, including a service connection completed after installation of a previously eligible POETS or POUTS; and (4) up to \$1,500 per project for future monitoring and maintenance costs associated with existing POETS or POUTS currently under monitoring and maintenance by the Corporation and associated with mitigating and treating or addressing PFAS in a well.

The County will make available rebates to property owners of impacted private wells for private well projects or contractors completing the projects, as long as they fall under eligible costs for reimbursement by the Corporation, in accordance with the applicable specific project criteria listed above.

The goal of the PFAS Testing Program is to improve water quality by providing financial assistance to property owners to assess and mitigate PFAS chemicals in private drinking water supplies where no specific industrial source of the contamination nor responsible party has been or can be identified.

The objective is to ensure that such projects are completed in a manner designed to treat, filter and remove PFAS chemicals to established minimum levels.

The goal and objective will be accomplished by WCDH staff, in consultation with the New York State Department of Health and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, in reviewing completed rebate applications, details of which are in the Agreement, for further processing and reimbursement from the County to the Property Owner up to the maximum allowable amount depending on the remediation option.

The goals and objectives will be tracked and monitored through Records, reporting, accounting and auditing performed by the County and these reports will be made available to the New York State Department of Health and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation upon reasonable notice.

As this Agreement does not involve procurement of any goods or services, it is exempt from the Westchester County Procurement Policy. In addition, to the extent the Agreement will require the consent and agreement of the County, it is a transaction with a State Agency and exempt pursuant to Section 3 (a) iii of the procurement policy.

Your approval of the attached resolution is respectfully requested.

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Attachment

## RESOLUTION

Upon a communication from the Commissioner of Health, be it hereby:

**RESOLVED**, Enter into a State Private Well PFAS Testing and Mitigation Rebate Program (“PFAS Testing Program”) through a County Participation Agreement with the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (“ Corporation”) to seek disbursements from the PFAS Testing Program Fund to reimburse property owners for eligible costs of private well system projects, in the maximum aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$1,500,000, subject to allowable reimbursement guidelines, for a term commencing retroactively on December 31, 2025 and continuing through December 31, 2032 (“Agreement”); and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that under the terms of the Agreement, “Eligible Costs” to be reimbursed shall mean costs associated with one of the following remedies for mitigating and treating or addressing PFAS in an Impacted Well located within the County which shall include: (1) up to \$5,000 per project for the installation of a POETS and associated eligible costs; (2) in unique circumstances up to \$1,000 per project for the installation of one or more of a POUTS and associated eligible costs; (3) up to \$10,000 per project for a service connection to an existing Public Water System and associated eligible costs, including a service connection completed after installation of a previously eligible POETS or POUTS; and (4) up to \$1,500 per project for future monitoring and maintenance costs associated with existing POETS or POUTS currently under monitoring and maintenance by the Corporation and associated with mitigating and treating or addressing PFAS in a well; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the County will make available rebates to property owners of impacted private wells for private well projects or contractors completing the projects, as long as they fall under eligible costs for reimbursement by the Corporation, in accordance with the applicable specific project criteria listed above; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the County Executive or his duly authorized designee be and hereby is authorized and empowered to execute all appropriate contracts of documents necessary to effectuate the purposes of this resolution in the manner prescribed by law.

Account to be Charged/Credited

Fund	Dept	Major Program, Program & Phase Or Unit	Object/ Sub-Object	Trust Account	Dollars
263	27	B117 (start date 2026)	4380	G117	\$1,500,000

Budget Funding Year(s): 2026\_\_ Start Date: \_01/01/26\_\_  
(must match resolution)

End Date: 12/31/2032\_\_

Funding Source  
**\$1,500,000**  
(must match resolution)

Tax Dollars: \_\_\_\_\_  
State Aid:   \$1,500,000    
Federal Aid: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other: \_\_\_\_\_