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Richard Kuklewicz, Selectboard Chair
Town of Montague
One Avenue A
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Dear Chairman Kuklewicz:

Thank you for submitting an application to the 2019 Round of the MassWorks Infrastructure Program, which continues to be a highly competitive grant program. This year, the Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development (EOHED) received 92 applications requesting over \$223 million. The team at EOHED worked together with our other state agency partners to carefully evaluate each application and recommend the most shovel-ready and highest-impact projects for grant funding.

On behalf of the Baker-Polito Administration, I am pleased to inform you that a grant to the Town of Montague (Grantee) in the amount of **\$2,163,000** has been approved to support the **Canal District Gateway Improvement Project**. In order to begin preparing a contract for this grant, please respond with a completed Pre-Contract Form by November 15th, 2019. You will be contacted by a MassWorks staff member to discuss any additional conditions and/or requirements related to this grant award and about next steps. See attached for further contracting guidance.

Please be advised that this letter does not constitute an agreement or contract with EOHED or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, nor does it confer any rights onto the Grantee. The Grantee is not authorized to proceed with any purchases or construction work, for which it expects reimbursement from this grant, until a contract has been fully executed with EOHED.

The grant commitment outlined above is contingent upon successful execution of a contract no later than June 30, 2020, with a project scope/timeline confirming that the project can be completed within the next three years. Projects not under contract by the June 30 deadline will no longer be eligible for this funding but may reapply in a future competitive round. Projects contracted but not completed by the contract expiration date will forfeit unexpended funds at that time.

Again, thank you for your participation in the MassWorks Infrastructure Program. We look forward to working with you to advance the economic growth of your community and the Commonwealth.

Sincerely,


Mike Kennealy
Secretary

