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To: [Allen, Tammy L](#); [Pierce, Brianna](#)
Cc: [Taylor, Holley](#); [Schneider, Sheila](#)
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Good morning, Tammy,

Your budget request was submitted by the previous APO, and it was approved. I have attached the new award and the previous award letters for your review and file.

Let us know if you have any questions.

Kind Regards,

Wanjiru Machua-Thairu

Administrative Project Officer-Grants Management

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Region 4, Air and Radiation Division

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Subject: RE: PM 2.5 Agreement # PM - 05D38425 Request for EPA Approval - Budget changes Among Project Object Class Categories

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Good morning, Brianna.

Thank you, again for approving our request for budget changes across the Object Class Categories for our project under the PM 2.5 Agreement # PM - 05D38425. Our award for the project period, April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2026 is still pending. Since our request appears to be a major budget amendment (<10%), will these changes be reflected in our pending award or will another formal budget amendment be required?

Respectfully,

Tammy Allen
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Cc: Allen, Tammy L <tallen@pinellas.gov>
Subject: RE: PM 2.5 Agreement # PM - 05D38425 Request for EPA Approval - Budget changes Among Project Object Class Categories

Good afternoon, we approve of these documents and the changes requested.

Brianna Pierce
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From: Schneider, Sheila <sschneider@pinellas.gov>
Sent: Friday, January 16, 2026 12:49 PM
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Good Afternoon,

Find attached the supporting SF424A corresponding to our request below. Please let us know if you need anything else.

Sheila E. Schneider, MSCM, CPM
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From: Schneider, Sheila
Sent: Thursday, January 15, 2026 9:15 AM
To: Stampley, Angela <stampley.angela@epa.gov>; Pierce, Brianna <pierce.brianna@epa.gov>; Taylor, Holley <taylor.holley@epa.gov>
Cc: Allen, Tammy L <tallen@pinellas.gov>
Subject: PM 2.5 Agreement # PM - 05D38425 Request for EPA Approval - Budget changes Among Project Object Class Categories

Good morning.

Pinellas County is requesting the re-allocation of dollars across the following revised Object Class Categories (Personnel, Fringe, Contractual, Equipment and Indirect Costs) for our PM 25 Project Agreement # PM - 05D38425 due to increased expenses to run the PM 2.5 Program. The current funding level EPA provides no longer covers the increasing expenses associated with operating Pinellas County's PM 2.5 program. The following activities have resulted in increased costs to the program.

Cost Overruns in the Personnel Object Class Categories are due to the following:

- Added one site(Midtown) as of 1/2025.
- Changed East Lake PM2.5 from TEOM to T640. This has reduced downtime/data loss but the QC checks can take longer or are done more frequently.
- Black carbon instrument labor charged to PM2.5.
- Evolving needs for additional QC checks. More frequent checks are being done to reduce data invalidation if checks fail.
- Additional QA/QC review time for the three above activities.
- Multiple instrument issues during 2025 including leak diagnosis on multiple instruments, detector failure, wiring failures, etc.
- Increases in Staff time to review minute and hourly PM2.5 data.
- Issuance of multiple awards/amendments to receive full project year funding increased our agency administrative burden.

Given the updated Object Class Categories information provided below from our most current approved budget in Amendment PM - 05D38425 - please advise at your earliest convenience if the requested changes in Object Class Categories are approved to allow sufficient time for our program to draw-down current expenses.

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 Budget Summary Page

Table A - Object Class Category (Non-Construction)	Total Approved Allowable Budget Period Cost	Requested Reallocations
1. Personnel	\$ 38,691	\$64,441
2. Fringe Benefits	\$ 24,987	\$43,538

3. Travel		\$ 0	\$0
4. Equipment		\$ 56,015	\$0
5. Supplies		\$ 21,600	\$21,600
6. Contractual		\$ 11,600	\$12,025
7. Construction		\$ 0	\$0
8. Other		\$ 8,407	\$8,407
9. Total Direct Charges		\$ 161,300	\$150,011
10. Indirect Costs: 72.00 % Base MTDC		\$ 27,858	\$39,147
11. Total (Share: Recipient <u>0.00</u> % Federal <u>100.00</u> %)		\$ 189,158	\$189,158
12. Total Approved Assistance Amount		\$ 189,158	\$189,158
13. Program Income		\$ 0	\$0
14. Total EPA Amount Awarded This Action		\$ 29,579	
15. Total EPA Amount Awarded To Date		\$ 94,579	\$94,579

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BUDGET INFORMATION - Non-Construction Programs

OMB Number: 4040-0006
Expiration Date: 06/30/2028

SECTION A - BUDGET SUMMARY

Grant Program Function or Activity (a)	Assistance Listing Number (b)	Estimated Unobligated Funds		New or Revised Budget		
		Federal (c)	Non-Federal (d)	Federal (e)	Non-Federal (f)	Total (g)
1. FY 2025/FY 2026 PM 2.5 Monitoring	66.034	\$	\$	\$ 94,579.00	\$	\$ 94,579.00
2. FY 2026/FY 2027 PM 2.5 Monitoring	66.034			94,579.00		94,579.00
3.						
4.						
5. Totals		\$	\$	\$ 189,158.00	\$	\$ 189,158.00

SECTION B - BUDGET CATEGORIES

6. Object Class Categories	GRANT PROGRAM, FUNCTION OR ACTIVITY				Total (5)
	(1) FY 2025/FY 2026 PM 2.5 Monitoring	(2) FY 2026/FY 2027 PM 2.5 Monitoring	(3)	(4)	
a. Personnel	\$ 34,441.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$	\$	\$ 64,441.00
b. Fringe Benefits	22,832.00	20,706.00			43,538.00
c. Travel	0.00	0.00			0.00
d. Equipment	0.00	0.00			0.00
e. Supplies	4,821.00	16,779.00			21,600.00
f. Contractual	5,900.00	6,125.00			12,025.00
g. Construction	0.00	0.00			0.00
h. Other	3,965.00	4,442.00			8,407.00
i. Total Direct Charges (sum of 6a-6h)	71,959.00	78,052.00			\$ 150,011.00
j. Indirect Charges	22,620.00	16,527.00			\$ 39,147.00
k. TOTALS (sum of 6i and 6j)	\$ 94,579.00	\$ 94,579.00	\$	\$	\$ 189,158.00
7. Program Income	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

SECTION C - NON-FEDERAL RESOURCES

(a) Grant Program		(b) Applicant	(c) State	(d) Other Sources	(e)TOTALS
8.	FY 2025/FY 2026 PM 2.5 Monitoring	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
9.	FY 2026/FY 2027 PM 2.5 Monitoring	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
10.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
11.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
12. TOTAL (sum of lines 8-11)		\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>

SECTION D - FORECASTED CASH NEEDS

	Total for 1st Year	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter
13. Federal	\$ <input type="text" value="94,579.00"/>	\$ <input type="text" value="27,641.00"/>	\$ <input type="text" value="24,000.00"/>	\$ <input type="text" value="21,469.00"/>	\$ <input type="text" value="21,469.00"/>
14. Non-Federal	\$ <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
15. TOTAL (sum of lines 13 and 14)	\$ <input type="text" value="94,579.00"/>	\$ <input type="text" value="27,641.00"/>	\$ <input type="text" value="24,000.00"/>	\$ <input type="text" value="21,469.00"/>	\$ <input type="text" value="21,469.00"/>

SECTION E - BUDGET ESTIMATES OF FEDERAL FUNDS NEEDED FOR BALANCE OF THE PROJECT

(a) Grant Program	FUTURE FUNDING PERIODS (YEARS)			
	(b)First	(c) Second	(d) Third	(e) Fourth
16. FY 2025/FY 2026 PM 2.5 Monitoring	\$ <input type="text" value="98,000.00"/>	\$ <input type="text" value="100,000.00"/>	\$ <input type="text" value="105,000.00"/>	\$ <input type="text" value="110,000.00"/>
17. FY 2026/FY 2027 PM 2.5 Monitoring	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
18. <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
19. <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
20. TOTAL (sum of lines 16 - 19)	\$ <input type="text" value="98,000.00"/>	\$ <input type="text" value="100,000.00"/>	\$ <input type="text" value="105,000.00"/>	\$ <input type="text" value="110,000.00"/>

SECTION F - OTHER BUDGET INFORMATION

21. Direct Charges: <input type="text" value="\$150,011 (FY25-FY27)"/>	22. Indirect Charges: <input type="text" value="Provisional Rate of 72%"/>
23. Remarks: <input type="text"/>	