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Martha Malone  
Executive Director  
Village of Fairport Industrial Development Agency  
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Dear Executive Director Malone,

Thank you for your application to the Canalway Grant Program. This year's program, which was administered through Round 13 of the New York State Regional Economic Development Councils (REDC) provides funding to eligible municipalities and 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations across upstate New York. In all, over \$1.0 million dollars will be awarded through competitive matching grants ranging between \$25,000 and \$150,000 to applicants along the New York State Canal System for canal-related capital projects.

In 2023, priority was given to projects that aligned with the program's priority areas and selection criteria. These priority areas included strategic alignment, project support and advocacy, implementation and project readiness, effectiveness and impact, and financial viability and funding leveraged. Overall, these grants support capital improvement projects in communities along the Canal System and across upstate New York, while promoting recreation and tourism through investment in the functionality and beautification of areas surrounding the Canal and Canalway Trail.

With this in mind, I am pleased to inform you that the **Village of Fairport's** application for the **Thomas Creek Wetlands Improvements** has been selected for \$50,000 in funding via the New York State Canal Corporation's Canalway Grant Program!

The next step in the process will be to begin the execution of a formal contract with the Canal Corporation. As noted in the grant application, this is a reimbursement-based grant program, and a formal contract must be executed before any reimbursements can be provided. Additionally, a 50% match will be required on all grant awards, which must be fully documented according to the requirements of the Canal Corporation and the Office of the State Comptroller. If you applied for funding from other programs or other State agencies for this or other projects, you will receive information from those programs/agencies separately.

Andy Marzo is the Program Manager who oversees the Canalway Grant Program, and he will be in contact with you in the coming weeks to discuss the contracting and award process. If you have any questions in the meantime, please feel free to reach out to Andy via email at: [Andrew.Marzo@NYPA.gov](mailto:Andrew.Marzo@NYPA.gov).

Again, my sincere congratulations on being selected for funding through the 2023 CFA Canalway Grant Program. We value your partnership and look forward to working together on this exciting project.

Sincerely,

Brian U. Stratton  
Director

*Congratulations!*