**Section 360.406 Operation and Maintenance**

a) The grantee must make adequate provisions satisfactory to the Agency for assuring economic, effective, and efficient operation and maintenance of its sewage treatment works in accordance with a plan of operation approved by the Agency.

b) As a minimum, such plan shall:

1) Be developed and submitted to the Agency for approval in accordance with a schedule developed as a special condition of the grant; and

2) Include provision for:

A) An operation and maintenance manual for each facility;

B) An emergency operating and response program;

C) Properly trained management, operation, and maintenance personnel;

D) Adequate budget for operation and maintenance, and for replacement of all equipment with an expected life of less than 30 years;

E) Operational reports; and

F) Provisions for laboratory testing adequate to determine influent and effluent characteristics and removal efficiencies.

c) The Agency shall not pay:

1) More than 50 percent of the State share of any Step 3 project unless the grantee has furnished and the Agency has approved the plan of operation and the grantee has submitted a draft of the operation and maintenance manual for review, or adequate evidence of timely development of such a draft; and

2) More than 90 percent of the State share unless the grantee has furnished a satisfactory final operation and maintenance manual or as otherwise provided by a special condition of this grant.