

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

DEPARTMENT of RESOURCES and ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

DIVISION OF FORESTS AND LANDS

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June 26, 2013

The Honorable Mary Jane Wallner, Chairman Fiscal Committee of the General Court and Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan and the Honorable Executive Council State House Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Department of Resources and Economic Development, Division of Forests and Lands to retroactively amend grant #10-DG-11420004-233 from the USDA Forest Service, originally approved by the Governor and Executive Council on December 8, 2010, Item #81, an amendment approved by the Fiscal Committee on September 23, 2011, FIS #11-222 and the Governor and Executive Council on September 28, 2011, Item #61, an extension approved by the Fiscal Committee on September 14, 2012, FIS # 12-299 and the Governor and Executive Council on September 19, 2012, Item #78, by extending the completion date to December 31, 2013 from the current completion date of June 30, 2013 and to budget and expend carry forward grant funds in the amount of \$84,772 in Fiscal Year 2014; upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council approval. 100% Federal Funds

Funding to be budgeted in account titled, USDA-State Fire Assistance, as follows:

03-35-35-351	1010-58980000 USDA-State Fire Assistance		Requested Budget
000-408117	Federal Funds		\$(84,772)
018-500106	Overtime		12,375
020-500200	Current Expenses		1,331
030-500311	Equipment New / Replacement		2,000
040-500800	Indirect Costs		3,854
041-500801	Audit Fund Set Aside		81
050-500109	Personal Service ~ Temporary		11,550
059-500117	Temp Full Time		8,432
060-500611	Benefits		4,572
070-500707	In State Travel Reimbursement		1,566
103-502674	Contracts for OP Services		39,011
		Total:	\$84,772



EXPLANATION

Total federal funds of \$122,476 have been approved as part of the Department of Resources and Economic Development U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service, Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry Grant #10-DG-11420004-233. These funds were scheduled to expire on June 30, 2013, however an extension was granted by the USDA Forest Service until December 31, 2013 due to administrative and weather related delays. This item is retroactive as the first scheduled Fiscal Committee meeting for the new biennium occurs after the original requested end date for this grant.

The project has several components that collectively achieve the goal of reducing risk and hazard of wildland fires to Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) communities through hazardous fuel reduction. Initial activities included reducing basal area in pitch pine to reduce immediate risk to a WUI, geo-referenced logging roads and trails on the 1,405 acre Pine River State Forest (PRSF) and created a GIS data layer for determining wildfire control lines and delineating prescribed fire blocks, and reducing fuel loads on roads and fire control lines. During the summer of 2013, the Division of Forests and Lands will work with The Nature Conservancy (TNC) to develop a fire and ecological management plan for the PRSF. Late summer/early fall 2013 activities include prescribed burning at PRSF using a TNC burn boss, and fire and/or mechanical maintenance of WUI buffers at TNC's Ossipee Pine Barrens Preserve. An education and outreach program is being developed and implemented in conjunction with all activities.

The following appropriations are being requested for Fiscal Year 2014:

Class 018 – Overtime \$12,375, amount needed for existing staff (11 days @ \$30/hr x 5 people);

Class 020 - Current Expenses \$1,331, amount needed for supplies (gas, water) for the prescribed burn:

Class 030 - Equipment New / Replacement \$2,000, needed for rental equipment (e.g. wood chipper);

Class 040 – Indirect Costs \$3,854, amount related to increased expenditures;

Class 041 – Audit Fund Set-Aside \$81, amount related to increased expenditures;

Class 050 - Personal Service ~ Temporary \$11,550, amount needed for 10 existing Special Deputy Wardens @ \$14/hr x 11 days;

Class 059 – Full Time Temp \$8,432, needed for existing staff (11 days @ approx \$20/hr x 5 people);

Class 060 – Benefits \$4,572, amount needed for existing staff benefits;

Class 070 - In State Travel Reimbursement \$1,566, amount needed for travel from Concord to Ossipee (100 miles round-trip x 18 trips x \$0.565/mile + hotel); and

Class 103 – Contracts for OP Services \$39,011, contract with The Nature Conservancy

In the event that Federal Funds are no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to continue support of this project.

Respectfully submitted,

Brad W. Simpkins

Interim Director

Concurred,

Jeffrey J. Ros Commissioner

FISCAL SITUATION

03-35-35-351010-58980000 USDA-State Fire Assistance

Total Grant Award	\$122,476.00
Expended in FY11/FY12	(\$31,754.91)
Balance Available 7/1/12	\$90,721.09
Anticipated Expenditures in FY13	(\$5,949.20)
Appropriation Request for FY14	\$84,771.89

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July 12, 2012

Representative Ken Weyler, Chairman Fiscal Committee of the General Court and His Excellency, Governor John H. Lynch and the Honorable Executive Council State House Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

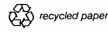
Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, retroactively authorize the Department of Resources and Economic Development, Division of Forests and Lands to amend grant #10-DG-11420004-233 from the USDA Forest Service, approved by the Governor and Executive Council on December 8, 2010, Item #81, and an amendment approved by the Fiscal Committee on September 23, 2011, FIS #11-222 and by the Governor and Executive Council on September 28, 2011, Item #61, by extending the completion date to June 30, 2013 from the end date of July 31, 2012 and to budget and expend carry forward grant funds in the amount of \$60,091.55 in Fiscal Years 2013; upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council approval. 100% Federal Funds

Funding to be budgeted in account titled, <u>Hazard Fuel Reduction Pine River & Ossipee</u>, as follows:

03-35-35-351010-58980000 Hazard Fuel Reduction Pine River & Ossipee

		Requested Budget
000-408117	Federal Funds	\$(60,092)
020-500200	Current Expenses	472
030-500311	Equipment	3,000
040-500800	Indirect Costs	4,892
041-500801	Audit Fund Set-Aside	56
050-500109	Part Time Salaries	13,342
060-500611	Benefits	7,201
070-500707	In State Travel	1,005
103-502674	Contracts for OP Services	30,124
	Totals	\$60,092





EXPLANATION

Total federal funds of \$122,476 have been approved as part of the Department of Resources and Economic Development U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service, Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry Grant #10-DG-11420004-233. These funds were scheduled to expire on July 31, 2012, but the USDA Forest Service has granted an extension until December 31, 2013 due to administrative and weather related delays. This is being requested retroactively to assure the accuracy of the carry forward amount. The balance of funds remaining will be included in the FY2014 budget.

The proposed project has several components that collectively achieve the goal of reducing risk and hazard of wildland fires to Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) communities through hazardous fuel reduction. Initial activities include reducing basal area in pitch pine to reduce immediate risk to a WUI, geo-referencing logging roads and trails on the 1,405 acre Pine River State Forest (PRSF) to create a GIS data layer for determining wildfire control lines and delineating prescribed fire blocks, and reducing fuel loads on roads and fire control lines. During 2011 and 2012 the Division of Forests and Lands worked with The Nature Conservancy (TNC) to develop a fire and ecological management plan for the PRSF. Future activities for 2012 and 2013 include prescribed burning at PRSF using a TNC burn boss, and fire and/or mechanical maintenance of WUI buffers at TNC's Ossipee Pine Barrens Preserve. An education and outreach program will be developed and implemented in conjunction with all activities.

In the event that Federal Funds are no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to continue support of this project.

Respectfully submitted.

Brad Simpkins

Interim Director

Concurred

Commissioner

The following appropriations are being requested for Fiscal Year 2013:

Class 020 – Current Expenses \$472, supplies for the prescribed burn

Class 030 – Equipment \$3,000, wood chipper rental (\$300/day x 10 days)

Class 040 - Indirect Costs \$4,892, amount related to increased expenditures

Class 041 – Audit Fund Set-Aside \$56, amount related to increased expenditures

Class 050 - Part Time Salaries \$13,342, needed for existing staff salary

Class 060 - Benefits \$7,201, needed for existing staff benefits

Class 070 – In State Travel \$1,005, Concord to Ossipee (100 miles round-trip x 18 trips x \$.555/mile)

Class 103 – Contracts for OP Services \$30,124, needed for existing Burn Plan contract with The Nature Conservancy

FISCAL SITUATION

03-35-351010-58980000 Hazardous Fuel Reduction Pine River & Ossipee

Total Grant Award	\$122,476	5 .
Expended in FY11/FY12	(\$ 31,754	<u>4)</u>
Balance Available 7/1/12	\$ 90,722	2
Amount Reserved for Future Periods	(\$ 30,630	0)
Appropriation Request for FY13	\$ 60,092	2

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July 25, 2011

Representative Ken Weyler, Chairman Fiscal Committee of the General Court and His Excellency, Governor John H. Lynch and the Honorable Executive Council State House Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Department of Resources and Economic Development, Division of Forests and Lands to retroactively amend grant #10-DG-11420004-233 from the USDA Forest Service, approved by the Governor and Executive Council as item #81 on December 8, 2010, by extending the completion date to July 31, 2012 from the original grant end date of June 30, 2011 and to budget additional grant funds in the amount of \$78,178, by increasing the original grant amount of \$44,298 to \$122,476, in Fiscal Years 2012 and 2013; effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council approval through July 31, 2012. 100% Federal Funds

Funding to be budgeted in account titled, Hazard Fuel Reduction Pine River & Ossipee, as follows with authority to adjust encumbrances in each of the State fiscal years through the Budget Office if needed and justified:

03-35-35-351010-58980000 Hazard Fuel Reduction Pine River & Ossipee

		2012	2013
		Requested	Requested
	•	Budget.	Budget
000-408117	Federal Funds	(\$71,304)	(\$6,874)
040-500800	Indirect Costs	\$0	\$6,796
041-500801	Audit Fund Set Aside	\$0	\$78
050-5001.09	Personal Service - Temporary	\$15,178	\$0
060-500612	Benefits	\$7,338	\$0
070-500707	In-State Travel Reimbursement	\$138	\$0
103-502674	Contracts For Op Services	\$48,650	\$0

EXPLANATION

In December 2010, the Governor and Executive Council approved a request to accept and expend \$44,298 in grant funds. This amount was a portion of the total grant award of \$122,476 from the US Department of Agriculture Forest Service, Northeastern Area, State and Private Forestry. The balance of \$78,178 was reserved by DRED for the purpose of budgeting in future years. Therefore, DRED is now requesting approval to amend the completion date and to accept and budget this balance in order to mplete the project described below.

The Hazardous Fuel Reduction at the Pine River State Forest and Ossipee Pine Barrens project has several components that collectively achieve the goal of reducing risk and hazard of wildland fires to Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) communities through hazardous fuel reduction. Initial activities include reducing basal area in pitch pine to reduce immediate risk to a WUI, geo-referencing logging roads and trails on the 3,189 acre Pine River State Forest (PRSF) to create a GIS data layer for determining wildfire control lines and delineating prescribed fire blocks, and reducing fuel loads on roads and fire control lines. During 2012 and 2013 the Division of Forests and Lands will continue to work with The Nature Conservancy (TNC) to develop a fire and ecological management plan for the PRSF. Spring of 2012 or 2013 activities include prescribed burning at PRSF using a TNC burn boss, and fire and/or mechanical maintenance of WUI buffers at TNC's Ossipee Pine Barrens Preserve. An education and outreach program will be developed and implemented in conjunction with all activities.

In the event that Federal Funds are no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to continue the support of this project.

Respectfully submitted,

Brad W. Simpkins, Interim Director

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FISCAL SITUATION

03-35-35-351010-58980000 Hazardous Fuel Reduction Pine River & Ossipee

Total Grant Award
Amount Budgeted in FY 2011
Appropriation Request

\$ 122,	,47.6
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The following appropriations are being requested for Fiscal Year 2012:

Class 050 Personal Services – Temporary \$15,178, amount needed for existing temporary staff – expenses allocated from other accounting units;

Class 060 Benefits \$7,338, amount needed to cover benefits for existing temporary staff – expenses allocated from other accounting units;

Class 070 In-State Travel Reimbursement \$138, amount needed for travel from Concord to Ossipee 2.5 trips at 100 miles round trip; and

Class 103 Contracts for Op Services \$48,650, amount needed for Burn Plan and Mow/Burn Wildland Urban Interface Buffer contract(s) with The Nature Conservancy.

The following appropriations are being requested for Fiscal Year 2013:

Class 040 Indirect Costs \$6,796, amount needed for indirect costs; and

Class 041 Audit Fund Set Aside \$78, amount needed for audit fund set aside.



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October 28, 2010

His Excellency, Governor John H. Lynch and the Honorable Executive Council State House Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

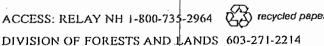
Authorization is requested for the Department of Resources and Economic Development, Division of Forests and Lands to accept and expend federal funds from the USDA Forest Service, Grant #10-DG-11420004-233, in the amount of \$44,298 upon Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2011. 100% Federal Funds

Funds are to be budgeted in account titled, Hazard Fuel Reduction Pine River & Ossipee, as follows:

03-35-35-351010-58980000 Hazard Fuel Reduction Pine River & Ossipee

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000-408117		Federal Funds		44,298)
020-500200		Current Expenses	•	4,750
030-500311		Equipment		3,000
040-500800		Indirect Costs		3,590
041-500801		Audit Fund Set-Aside	•	44
050-500109		Personal Service - Tem	porary	15,400
060-500612		Benefits		4,264
070-500707	:	In State Travel		750
103-502674	ᠶ	Contracts For OP Servi	ces	12,500





EXPLANATION

These federal funds have been approved as part of the Department of Resources and Economic Development U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service, Northeastern Area State and Private Forestry Grant #10-DG-11420004-233. These funds are scheduled to expire on July 31st, 2012.

The proposed project has several components that collectively achieve the goal of reducing risk and hazard of wildland fires to Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) communities through hazardous fuel reduction. Initial activities include reducing basal area in pitch pine to reduce immediate risk to a WUI, geo-referencing logging roads and trails on the 1,405 acre Pine River State Forest (PRSF) to create a GIS data layer for determining wildfire control lines and delineating prescribed fire blocks, and reducing fuel loads on roads and fire control lines. During the summer of 2011, the Division of Forests and Lands will work with The Nature Conservancy (TNC) to develop a fire and ecological management plan for the PRSF. Spring of 2012 activities include prescribed burning at PRSF using a TNC burn boss, and fire and/or mechanical maintenance of WUI buffers at TNC's Ossipee Pine Barrens Preserve. An education and outreach program will be developed and implemented in conjunction with all activities.

Respectfully submitted,

Brad W. Simpkins Interim Director

APPROVED BY:

George M. Bald, Commissioner

FISCAL SITUATION

03-35-35-351010-58980000 Hazardous Fuel Reduction Pine River & Ossipee

Total Sub-Grant Award Reserved for Future Years Appropriation Request \$122,476 <u>\$ 78,178</u> \$ 44,298

The following appropriations are being requested for Fiscal Year 2011:

Class 020 Current Expenses		
Fuel Sticks	\$350	
Spring Scale	\$125	
Protimeter (2)	\$500	
Pocket Weather Station (2)	\$550	
Fire Weather Instrument Kit (2)	\$225	
Duff Moisture Reader	\$3,000	\$4,750
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Class 030 Equipment		
Wood Chipper (\$300/day @ 10 days)		\$3,000
Class 040 Indirect Costs		\$3,590
Class 041 Audit Fund Set Aside		\$44
Class 050 Personal Service - Temporary		
Existing Temp Staff - expenses allocated from other Acco	unting Units	\$15,400
Class 060 Benefits	· .	\$4,264
Class 070 In-State Travel Reimbursement		
Concord to Ossipee 15 100 mile RT		\$750
Concord to Casapace 15 100 mile K1		4750
Class 103 Contracts for Op Services (The Nature Conservancy)		
Burn Plan		\$12,500
		044 202
	Total FY 2011:	\$44,298

Award Approval/Obligation/Acceptance

Recipient: Department of Resources and Economic Development State: NH Project: Hazardous Fuel Reduction at the Pine River SF and Ossipee Pine Barrens Project Period: August 1, 2010 - July 31, 2012 Award No.: 10-DG-11420004-233 .Obligation: FUND CODE PROGRAM Walter W. J. William of G42092048001 SPS25410 State Fire Assistance / National Fire Plan The authority and format of this instrument has been reviewed and approved for signature. Grants and Agreements Specialist Approval: This Federal financial assistance award and obligation is approved. rea Director Northeastern Area, State & Private Forestry AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES. By signature below, the cooperator certifies that the individuals listed in this document are representatives of the cooperator and are authorized to act in their respective areas for matters related to this agreement. Acceptance: Director, Division of Forests and Lands TITLE DATE NAME OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE TITLE

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12. G&A REVIEW

12.A. The authority and format of this modification have been reviewed and approved for signature by:

12.B. DATE SIGNED

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VICKIE M. CALDWELL

U.S. Forest Service Grants & Agreements Specialist