



THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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WILLIAM CASS, PE
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER

Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Bureau of Environment
July 17, 2015

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Transportation (DOT), Bureau of Environment, to pay the Department of Environmental Services (DES) (Vendor #177894) Aquatic Resource Mitigation (ARM) Fund \$113,760.00 as documented in E-mail correspondence/ARM fund calculator from DES, effective upon Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2016. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds to support this request are anticipated to be available in the following account in State FY 2016 upon the availability and continued appropriation of funds in the future operating budget:

04-96-96-963515-3054	<u>FY 2016</u>
Consolidated Federal Aid	
400-500870 Highway Contract Payments	\$113,760.00

EXPLANATION

Pursuant to RSA 482-A, to compensate for the loss of jurisdictional areas, DES adopted rules that require mitigation for major impact projects, certain minor impact projects with jurisdictional impacts of 10,000 square feet or greater, and projects involving over 200 linear feet of stream impact (Env-Wt 303.02). The ARM Fund authorizes DES to collect mitigation funds in lieu of wetland restoration, wetland creation, or upland buffer preservation, as part of a wetlands permit application. These funds are then pooled by DES with payments from other permit applications to fund projects that have greater conservation value within the same watershed. The ARM program was authorized in legislation that became effective in August 2006.

This project (Dixville, 29776), which involves a pedestrian culvert replacement under NH Route 26, just west of the main entrance to The Balsams, requires a one-time payment in Fiscal Year 2016 of \$113,760.00 as mitigation for 474 linear feet of impact to stream channel and bank (DES File #2015-01719).

This project funding is 80% federal funds with 20% state match. Turnpike toll credit is being utilized for match requirements, effectively using 100% federal funds.

Your approval of this resolution is respectfully requested.

Sincerely,


William Cass, PE
Assistant Commissioner

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Attachments

Kevin Nyhan

From: Sommer, Lori <Lori.Sommer@des.nh.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2015 3:19 PM
To: Kevin Nyhan
Subject: RE: Governor and Council Request for Salem-Manchester, 10418X; Barnstead, 14121E; Dixville, 29776

Hi Kevin,
The Dixville amount is accurate. All of the G&C language seems fine. Good luck making the next meeting.

Lori

From: Kevin Nyhan [<mailto:KNyhan@dot.state.nh.us>]
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2015 10:56 AM
To: Sommer, Lori
Cc: Infascelli, Gino; Matt Urban; Donald Lyford; Peter Stamnas; David Scott
Subject: Governor and Council Request for Salem-Manchester, 10418X; Barnstead, 14121E; Dixville, 29776

Lori,

Attached please find the draft v2 of the G&C request to authorize payment into the ARM fund for the subject projects. Also attached to this are the backup pieces of information that I have right now to support the request. One "missing" piece of information is some confirmation from DES on the Dixville amount. Would you please review this at your earliest convenience?

To make the 8/26/15 Governor and Council meeting, I will need to have a complete package over to our Finance Office by July 20, 2015 (next Monday). After that, we're into September for G&C approval.

Thank you Lori,

Kevin

**DES AQUATIC RESOURCE MITIGATION FUND
STREAM PAYMENT CALCULATION**

INSERT LINEAR FEET OF IMPACT on BOTH BANKS AND CHANNEL		
	Right Bank	158.00
	Left Bank	158.0000
	Channel	158.0000
	TOTAL IMPACT	474.0000
	Stream Impact Cost:	\$94,800.00
	DES Administrative cost:	
		\$18,960.00
***** TOTAL ARM FUND STREAM PAYMENT*****		
		\$113,760.00

Dixville, 29776 (DES File # 2015-01719)