



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

for

EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

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November 2, 2020

The Honorable Mary Jane Wallner, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court, and

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
And the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, NH 03301

INFORMATIONAL ITEM

- 1. Pursuant to RSA 21-P:43, RSA 4:45, RSA 4:47, Executive Order 2020-04, as amended by Executive Order 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09, 2020-10, 2020-14, 2020-15, and 2020-16, Governor Sununu has authorized the Governor's Office of Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) authority to transfer \$10,000,000 in Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding to the New Hampshire Department of Agriculture, Markets and Food to provide grants to support New Hampshire dairy farmers, and specialty crop producers, including fruit, vegetable, and ornamental plant growers, and maple producers, with COVID-19 related expenses and lost revenues from March 1, 2020 to December 30, 2020. Effective upon the Governor's approval through December 30, 2020. 100% Federal Funds

Funding has been transferred from the following accounting unit:

Table with 3 columns: ACCOUNT, TRANSFER REQUEST, and SOURCE OF FUNDS. Rows include OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR, CLASS 085 -INTERAGCY XFR OUT OF FED FND, TOTAL EXPENSES, FEDERAL FUNDS, and TOTAL FUNDS.

- 2. Further, the Governor has authorized the Department of Agriculture, Markets and Food to accept and expend \$10,000,000 from the GOFERR to provide grants to support New Hampshire dairy farmers, and specialty crop producers, including fruit, vegetable, and ornamental plant growers, and maple producers, with COVID-19 related expenses and lost revenues from March 1, 2020 to December 30, 2020. Effective upon the Governor's approval through December 30, 2020. 100% Other Funds.

Funds have been budgeted as follows:

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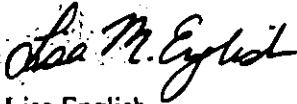
02-18-018-180010-69380000 – Dairy Drought Relief			
Class	Current FY20 Budget	Requested Action	Revised FY20 Budget
Funding			
00D-488502 - Xfer of Fed Funds to Other State Agency	\$0	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000
Total Funding:	\$0	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000
Expenditure Appropriations			
072-500575 - Grants to Non-profits - Federal	\$0	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000
Total Expenditure Appropriations:	\$0	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000

EXPLANATION

The Governor has authorized the allocation and expenditure of \$10 million in emergency funding from the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund to support New Hampshire dairy farmers, and specialty crop producers, including fruit, vegetable, and ornamental plant growers, and maple producers, with COVID-19 related expenses and lost revenues from March 1, 2020 to December 30, 2020. Specifically, the Governor has authorized the allocation of \$4.5 million to dairy farmers for milk price support; \$1.5 million to specialty crop producers in order to ease the burden of substantial new COVID-19-related costs like extra cleaning and sanitizing, ensuring social distancing, and lost revenues; and \$4 million for emergency grants to ensure stability in the food supply.

All CARES Act funds must be spent by the recipients before December 30, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,



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