

The State of New Hampshire AN26'21 PM12:56 RC

Department of Environmental Services

Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

January 20, 2021

The Honorable Ken Weyler, Chairman Fiscal Committee of the General Court State House Concord, New Hampshire 03301

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) to accept and expend \$386,665 in Federal Emergency Management Agency High Hazard Potential Dam Grant Funds from the Department of Homeland Security, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM), for the purposes of designing the rehabilitation of two-state owned dams, Goose Pond Dam in Cannan and Mendums Pond Dam in Nottingham, effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2021. 100% Pass-Thru Federal Funds.

Funding is to be budgeted as follows:

Dam Rehabilitation 03-44-44-442010-88670000 FY 2021

Class	Budget Category	Current Budget	Requested Action	Revised Budget
Income				
009-401924	Interagency Income	-0-	(\$386,665)	(\$386,665)
Expenditures				
046-500463	Consultants - Engineering	· -0-	\$386,665	\$386,665
	TOTAL	-0-	·\$386,665	\$386,665

EXPLANATION

NHDES has received these funds from HSEM under a Memorandum of Agreement that was approved by the Governor and Executive Council on September 23, 2020 (Item #78). The funds are from a new grant program established by the Federal Emergency Management Agency to fund the rehabilitation of High Hazard Dams, and, therefore, were not anticipated at the time the FY20/21 budget was prepared.

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The funds will be used to design the rehabilitation of two state-owned dams that are classified as High Hazard because their failure would likely cause loss of life: Goose Pond Dam in Canaan and Mendums Pond Dam in Nottingham. At Goose Pond Dam, the rehabilitation design will address issues with the deteriorated spillway and gates on this 102-year-old dam, as well strengthening the earth embankment to make it more stable. At Mendums Pond Dam, a downstream earth buttress will be designed to stabilize the unstable downstream dry masonry face of the dam, and collect remaining seepage to complete the rehabilitation of this 160-year-old dam.

NHDES is requesting these grant funds to be budgeted as follows:

Class 046 – Consultants – for the services of an engineering firm to design the rehabilitation of Goose Pond Dam and Mendums Pond Dam.

Of the \$386,665 grant, \$260,000 is to be allocated to the design of the rehabilitation of Goose Pond Dam, and the remaining \$126,665 is to be allocated to the design of the rehabilitation of Mendums Pond Dam. The grant has a 35% match requirement. The state match will be provided from a capital appropriation for State Fiscal Years 20-21 specifically for the repair and reconstruction of state-owned dams. The 35% match for the Goose Pond Dam project has been already been provided through expenditures to date on pre-design activities made during the grant period.

We respectfully request your approval.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DAM REHABILITATION FISCAL SITUATION FY21 03-44-44-442010-88670000

Total Federal Pass-Thru Award	\$386,665
Less Expenditures thru 06/30/2020	\$0
Remaining Authorization to Budget	\$386,665
Less Current FY21 Budget Authorization	\$0
Total Available for Budgeting	\$386,665
REQUESTED ACTION	\$386,665
Available to Budget at a later date	\$0

Grant Award Number	Award <u>Amount</u>	Expenses to 06/30/2020	<u>Balance</u>
HSEM MOA G&C 9/23/2020 Item# 78	\$386,665	\$0	\$386,665
TOTAL	\$386,665	\$0	\$386,665



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G&C Item 78 09-23-2020

June 16, 2020

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Summu and the Honorable Council State House Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Requested Action

Pursuant to RSA 21-P:43, the Department of Safety, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) requests authorization to enter into a retroactive Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Department of Environmental Services (DES), Dam Bureau Water Division (VC#177894-B001), in the amount of \$386,665.00 for activities to assist with the rehabilitation of eligible high hazard potential dams. Effective upon Governor and Council approval for the period of September 15, 2019 through September 30, 2022. Funding source: 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is available in the SFY 2021 operating budget as follows:

02-23-23-236010-56300000 Dept. of Safety Homeland Sec-Emer Mgmt

072-500576 Grants to Other State Agencies - Federal

Activity Code: 23HHPD 2019

100% HHPD Local Match

\$386,665.00

Explanation

This Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) is retroactive as the State concurrently received the federal award on September 15, 2019 and a required scope of work and budget amendment. This budget amendment was not approved until May 13, 2020 substantially delaying the ability to execute the state MOA process. This MOA between the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) and the Department of Environmental Services (DES) provides funding to utilize services of a consultant to prepare final designs to adequately address all deficiencies of the following two dams: Goose Pond Dem (NID No. NH00118) in Canaan, New Hampshire and Mendums Pond Dam (NID No. NH00133) in Nottingham, NH.

The MOA listed above is funded from the FFY 2019 High Hazard Potential Dam (HHPD) Program, which was awarded to the Department of Safety, HSEM from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The HHPD Program provides technical, planning, design, and construction assistance in the form of grants to states for non-Federal governmental organizations or nonprofit organizations for rehabilitation of eligible high hazard potential dams. For FFY 2019, the HHPD will provide assistance for technical, planning, design and other pre-construction activities. Grant guidance and applications are available to all Emergency Management Directors, eligible dam owners, and other qualified organizations in the State. Subrecipients submit applications to this office, which are reviewed by the State Hazard Mitigation Officer, Assistant Chief of Grants and Field Representatives and approved by the HSEM Director. The criteria for approval are based on grant eligibility in accordance with the grant's current guidance and the documented needs of the local jurisdictions.

The High Hazard Potential Dam Program is 65% federally funded by FEMA with a 35% match requirement supplied by the subrecipient. The subrecipient acknowledges their match obligation as part of Section V of the MOA.

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In the event that Federal Funds are no longer available, General Funds and/or Highway Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert R. Scott

Commissioner of Department of Environmental Services

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Quinn

Commissioner of Safety