



## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT of NATURAL and CULTURAL RESOURCES DIVISION of HISTORICAL RESOURCES

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

## REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 4:8, Gifts to the State, authorize the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, Division of Historical Resources to accept a donation from the NH Archeological Society, Inc. in the amount of \$1,550 for the purpose of supporting the State Conservation and Rescue Archaeology Program (SCRAP) effective upon Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2022. 100% Other Funds.

Funds will be budgeted in the following account:

03-035-035-354010-22790000, Archaeology Program SCRAP

Class-Account- Revenue Group	Description	FY22 Current Adjusted Authorized	Requested Action	Revised FY22 Adjusted Authorized
005-403635-20	Private Local Funds	(\$7,455)	(\$1,550)	(\$9,005)
020-500200	Current Expenses	\$855	\$0	\$855
102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	\$4,000	\$0	\$4,000
103-502664	Contracts for Op Services	\$2,600	\$1,550	\$4,150
Total Expenses:		\$7,455	\$1,550	\$9,005

## **EXPLANATION**

This donation is being made in support of SCRAP to offset the cost of radiocarbon dating and species analysis of charcoal samples collected from pre-contact Native American pit features identified at archaeological sites within Pillsbury and Bear Brook State Parks during the 2021 field school.

The SCRAP is a public participation program for archaeological research, management, and education. SCRAP is administered by the Archaeology Bureau within the Department's Division of Historical Resources (DHR). The program is supported by state and federal funds, donated private funds, and the volunteered services of trained and certified avocational archaeologists.

As a part of its research and management responsibilities, the Archaeology Bureau conducts workshops to train interested members of the public in archaeological research skills, interpretation, conservation, and education. By making more people aware of archaeology, and by involving the public in its practice, SCRAP seeks to increase the rate of site discovery and evaluation, to reduce the rate of site destruction, to recover information from archaeological sites about to be destroyed, and to conduct original research. To learn more about this program as well as the many other programs the DHR manages, please visit our website at  $\frac{\text{www.nh.gov/nhdhr}}{\text{memore about}}$ .

Respectfully submitted,

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