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# State of New Hampshire

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY  
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER  
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JOHN J. BARTHELMES  
COMMISSIONER

October 28, 2015

The Honorable Neal M. Kurk, Chairman  
Fiscal Committee of the General Court  
State House  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan  
and the Honorable Council  
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### Requested Action

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a VI, authorize the Department of Safety, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, to amend Fiscal Item #FIS 15-165 originally approved by the Fiscal Committee on August 26, 2015 and by Governor and Council on September 8, 2015, Item #8, by extending the end date **only** from December 31, 2015 to June 30, 2017 to accept and expend Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funds from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for DR-4006 May 2011 floods, DR-4049 October 2011 Snowstorm, DR-4065 May 2012 floods and DR-4139 July 2013 floods in the amount of \$2,237,568.00 for the implementation of cost effective mitigation projects. Effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approvals. Funding Source: 100% Federal Funds.

### Explanation

The request is to extend the end date **only** for Fiscal Item #FIS 15-165 and Governor and Council Item #8. The total amount of \$2,237,568.00 from FEMA consists of \$196,371.00 for DR-4006 May 2011 floods, \$532,223.00 for DR-4049 October 2011 Snowstorm, \$401,251.00 for DR-4065 May 2012 floods, and \$1,107,723.00 for DR-4139 July 2013 floods.

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The Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) provides funding to states and communities (sub-grantees) for cost-effective hazard mitigation activities that complement a comprehensive mitigation program. FEMA provides HMGP funds to states following presidentially declared disasters where the FEMA Public Assistance Program is employed that, in turn, provide sub-grants or contracts for a variety of mitigation activities, such as planning and the implementation of projects identified through the evaluation of natural hazards. The cost share is 75% Federal funds and a 25% applicant soft-match. The sub-grantee will provide and document the program match requirements. The management costs associated with the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program are 100% federal funds and do not require a matching percentage.

<u>Class Code</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Description</u>
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020	Current Expense	Allows for purchasing supplies needed to manage the Hazard Mitigation Assistance programs.
030	Equipment	Allows for purchasing equipment needed for project management.
040	Indirect Cost	Represents the associated amount for this request.
041	Audit Fund Set Aside	Represents the associated amount for this request.
060	Benefits	Provides funding associated with Class Code 018.
070	In-State Travel	Provides funding for travel to manage the Hazard Mitigation Assistance programs statewide.
072	Grants	Provides funding for grants to sub-grantees.
080	Out of State Travel	Provides funding for travel to workshops associated with managing the Hazard Mitigation Assistance programs.
246	Grantee Admin Costs	Provides funding for Grantee administrative costs.

The State of New Hampshire solicits applications statewide. Notification of the availability of HMGP funds is made to every community by e-mail and by letters sent to the chief elected official of each community. The State of New Hampshire submits all applications received for program funding to the Federal Emergency Management Agency for their final approval. Applications that are determined to be cost effective and program eligible are then funded 75% by FEMA; not every application submitted is determined to be program eligible. However, all applications that are determined to be eligible are funded at the requested dollar amount listed in their application, pending availability of adequate program funding.

There are no General funds required with this request. 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,

  
John J. Barthelmes  
Commissioner of Safety

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*Fiscal # FIS 15-165  
08-26-2015*

August 4, 2015

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*GC # 8  
09-08-2015*

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Funds are to be budgeted in SFY 2016 in the following account:

02-23-23-236010-29210000      Dept. of Safety      HSEM      Hazard Mitigation Grant Program-FEMA

	<u>Current Adjusted Authorized</u>	<u>Requested Action</u>	<u>Revised Adjusted Authorized</u>
000-408121 Federal Funds	\$0	(\$2,237,568.00)	(\$2,237,568.00)
018-500106 Overtime	\$0	\$6,500.00	\$6,500.00
020-500200 Current Expense	\$0	\$2,869.00	\$2,869.00
030-500311 Equipment	\$0	\$2,114.00	\$2,114.00
040-500800 Indirect Costs	\$0	\$10,709.00	\$10,709.00
041-500801 Audit	\$0	\$2,455.00	\$2,455.00
060-500601 Benefits	\$0	\$1,295.00	\$1,295.00
070-500705 In State Travel	\$0	\$3,015.00	\$3,015.00
072-500574 Grants Federal	\$31,204.00	\$2,129,694.00	\$2,160,898.00
080-500710 Out of State Travel	\$0	\$2,914.00	\$2,914.00
246-500792 Grantee Admin Costs	\$0	\$76,003.00	\$76,003.00
<b>Total Appropriation</b>	<b>\$31,204.00</b>	<b>\$2,237,568.00</b>	<b>\$2,268,772.00</b>

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Listed below are answers to standard questions required of all Fiscal Committee item requests, related to RSA 14:30-a, VI "Expenditure of funds over \$100,000 from any Non State Source", or RSA 124:15, "Positions Authorized" or both:

1. Is the action required of this request a result of the Continuing Resolution for FY 2016? No.
2. If this request is retroactive what is the significance and importance of the action being effective from an earlier date? No, this request is not retroactive.
3. Is this a previously funded and ongoing program established through Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council action? (If so, include as an attachment the original documents as approved and cite the specific dates of authorization and end dates for each action as part of your answer to this question.) This is a grant.
4. Was funding for this program included in the FY 2014-2015 enacted Budget or requested and denied? No.
5. Is this program in total or in part, included in the vetoed FY 2016-2017 Operating Budget proposal currently pending for your department, or was it requested and denied? No.
6. Does this program include either positions or consultants and, if so, are the positions filled, vacant, or have offers pending? (Please provide details for each position and note whether consultant contracts have been awarded.) No.
7. What would be the effect should this program be discontinued or not initiated as a result of this request being denied? The grant would not be utilized.

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Homeland Security and Emergency Management  
Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

Fiscal Situation: Account 02-23-23-236010-29210000

<b>Federal Funds Awarded:</b>	
DR4006 May 2011 Floods	\$196,371.00
DR4049 Oct 2011 Snowstorm	\$532,223.00
DR4065 May 2012 Floods	\$510,353.00
DR4139 July 2013 Rain	\$1,107,723.00
<b>Total Grant Funds Awarded</b>	<u>\$2,346,670.00</u>
Less expenses in FY 2012	\$0.00
Less expenses in FY 2013	\$0.00
Less expenses in FY 2014	\$0.00
Less expenses in FY 2015	(\$77,898.00)
<b>Total Prior Fiscal Year Actual Expenses</b>	<u>(\$77,898.00)</u>
<b>Net Grant Funds Remaining</b>	\$2,268,772.00
<b>Less: SFY 16 State Appropriation including prior year encumbrances:</b>	<u>(\$31,204.00)</u>
<b>This Request</b>	\$2,237,568.00



FEMA

October 12, 2012

Mr. Christopher Pope, Director  
NH Homeland Security and Emergency Management  
33 Hazen Drive  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Re: 12-MONTH FINAL LOCK-IN  
FEMA-4006-DR-NH  
Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

Dear Director Pope:

Under Section 404 of the Stafford Act, as amended, 75% Federal funding is authorized for hazard mitigation measures. As a condition of receiving Federal disaster assistance, measures must be cost-effective, environmentally acceptable and be consistent with the strategies and recommendations identified in your State Hazard Mitigation Plan. Funding for mitigation projects under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) is based on 15% of the estimated aggregate amount of grants made under the Stafford Act. The 12-month final lock-in of \$187,216 in Federal funding is available for the HMGP under FEMA-4006-DR-NH. A breakdown of funding is listed below:

5% PROJECTS	\$ 9,361
7% PROJECTS	\$ 13,105
REGULAR PROJECTS	\$ 164,750
12-MONTH LOCK-IN	\$ 187,216
STATE MANAGEMENT COST PROJECTS	\$ 9,155

This calculation is based on the 12-month estimate as reported by the authorized disaster assistance programs. This is the final 12-month lock-in for FEMA-4006-DR-NH. Final applications or amendments for new mitigation projects must have been submitted to the FEMA Region I Hazard Mitigation Division by July 22, 2012. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Dean J. Savramis  
Mitigation Division Director  
FEMA Region I

Cc: Lance Harbour, HSEM



FEMA

February 7, 2013

Perry Plummer, Acting Director  
NH Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management  
33 Hazen Drive  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Re: 12-Month Final Lock-In  
FEMA-4049-DR-NH  
Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP)

Dear Director Plummer:

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5% PROJECTS	\$ 25,371
7% PROJECTS	\$ 35,519
REGULAR PROJECTS	\$ 446,521
12-MONTH LOCK-IN	\$ 507,411
STATE MANAGEMENT COST PROJECTS	\$ 24,812

This calculation is based on the 12-month estimate as reported by the authorized disaster assistance programs. This is the final 12-month lock-in for FEMA-4049-DR-NH. Final applications or amendments for new mitigation projects must have been submitted to the FEMA Region I Hazard Mitigation Division by December 5, 2012. Please forward a SF-424 to cover the funding request. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Dean J. Savramis  
Director, Mitigation Division  
FEMA Region I

Cc: Beth Peck, Acting SHMO, NH HSEM



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August 16, 2013

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5% PROJECTS	\$ 24,328
7% PROJECTS	\$ 34,059
REGULAR PROJECTS	\$ 428,173
12-MONTH LOCK-IN	\$ 486,560
STATE MANAGEMENT COST PROJECTS	\$ 23,793

This calculation is based on the 12-month estimate as reported by the authorized disaster assistance programs. This is the final 12-month lock-in for FEMA-4065-DR-NH. Final applications for new mitigation projects were submitted to the FEMA Region I Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) Branch by the June 15, 2013 deadline. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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cc: Beth Peck, State Hazard Mitigation Officer, NH HSEM  
Dan McElhinney, Grants Division Director, FEMA Region I  
Lynn Wright, Grants Management Branch Chief, FEMA Region I



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Re: Section 324 Management Costs Final (12-Month) Lock-ins and  
HMGP Final Lock-in Ceiling, FEMA-4139-DR-NH

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5% PROJECTS	\$ 52,804
7% PROJECTS	\$ 73,926
REGULAR PROJECTS	\$ 929,351
12-MONTH LOCK-IN	\$ 1,056,081
STATE MANAGEMENT COST PROJECTS	\$ 51,642

This calculation is based on the 12-month estimate as reported by the authorized disaster assistance programs. This is the final 12-month lock-in for FEMA-4139-DR-NH. Final applications or amendments for new mitigation projects must have been submitted to the FEMA Region I Hazard Mitigation Assistance Branch by August 2, 2014. Please forward a SF-424 to cover the funding request. If you have any questions, please contact Richard Verville, FEMA Region I Hazard Mitigation Assistance Branch Chief, at (617) 956-7524.

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