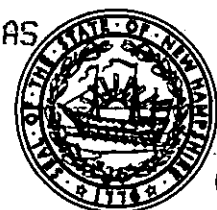




The State of New Hampshire  
**Department of Environmental Services**

Robert R. Scott, Commissioner



September 3, 2019

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

**REQUESTED ACTIONS**

Authorize the Department of Environmental Services (DES) to accept and expend \$65,624 from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to implement a coastal hazards and resilience project from October 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 effective upon Governor and Council approval. 100% federal funds

Funding to be budgeted as follows:

Coastal Resilience  
 03-44-44-442010-12090000  
 FY 2020

| Class               | Budget Category                | Current Budget | Requested Action | Revised Budget  |
|---------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Income</b>       |                                |                |                  |                 |
| 000-403260          | Federal Funds                  | \$0            | (\$65,624)       | (\$65,624)      |
| <b>Expenditures</b> |                                |                |                  |                 |
| 020-500200          | Current Expense                | \$0            | \$1,660          | \$1,660         |
| 040-500800          | Indirect Costs                 | \$0            | \$487            | \$487           |
| 041-500801          | Audit Fund Set Aside           | \$0            | \$66             | \$66            |
| 042-500620          | Additional Fringe Benefits     | \$0            | \$596            | \$596           |
| 050-500109          | Personnel Full-Time Temp       | \$0            | \$5,715          | \$5,715         |
| 060-500601          | Benefits                       | \$0            | \$2,435          | \$2,435         |
| 072-500573          | Grants Federal                 | \$0            | \$1,000          | \$1,000         |
| 102-500731          | Contracts for Program Services | \$0            | \$53,666         | \$53,666        |
|                     | <b>TOTAL</b>                   | <b>\$0</b>     | <b>\$65,624</b>  | <b>\$65,624</b> |

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**EXPLANATION**

The funding for the program is currently available from October 1, 2019 through March 31, 2021 via a NOAA Grant that was awarded to DES. On an annual basis, the New Hampshire Coastal Program (NHCP), part of NHDES, can apply for competitive funding through NOAA to implement projects to improve coastal management. NHCP submitted a proposal in 2018 and was awarded funding. The project seeks to improve coastal resilience in four emerging priority focus areas: transportation, community planning, coastal permitting, and financing.

Existing assessments confirm that NH coastal transportation networks, neighborhoods, and shoreline ecosystems are highly vulnerable to sea-level rise and other intensifying coastal flood risks, and we lack mechanisms to finance resilience projects. This project will capitalize on ten years of groundwork laid by NHCP, the New Hampshire Coastal Adaptation Workgroup, and the NH Coastal Risks and Hazards Commission that has helped NH coastal communities and state agencies understand their vulnerabilities and prepare for changing coastal hazards. Due to this groundwork and mounting experience responding to coastal hazards, agencies and communities are ready to address some of the most challenging issues that will help improve coastal resource management and community resilience. Through this project, DES will provide needed resources and technical assistance and collaboratively achieve the following outcomes that correspond to the project's four tasks: 1) complete a Seacoast Transportation Corridor Vulnerability Assessment and Plan; 2) complete a draft Hampton Coastal Hazards and Adaptation Master Plan Chapter; 3) create coastal wetlands rules guidance for tidal vulnerability assessments and living shorelines; and 4) advance implementation of alternative financing mechanisms for resilience.

Funds in Class Expenditures itemized by Class included in this request are budgeted and described as follows:

Class 20 *Current Expense* – The funds will be used for printing of outreach materials and reports.

Class 040, 041, 042, 060 *Indirect Costs, Audit Set Aside, Additional Fringe, and Benefits*– Funding in each of these classes is based on a percentage of personnel costs.

Class 50 *Personnel Full Time Temp* – The funds in class 50 will be used for existing staff positions. These funds will be used to supplant funding of the following budgeted positions.

| Position # | Title                | Account (03-44-44) | Funding Mix | Amount  |
|------------|----------------------|--------------------|-------------|---------|
| 42196      | Administrator III    | 442010-3855        | 100% Other  | \$1,824 |
| 18152      | Environmentalist IV  | 442010-3855        | 100% Other  | \$1,989 |
| 42193      | Environmentalist III | 442010-3855        | 100% Other  | \$1,902 |

Class 72 *Grants Federal* – This is for a grant to the University of New Hampshire to assist on the project.

Class 102 *Contracts for Program Services* – This is for contract work and technical assistance on the project.

In the event that federal funds become no longer available, General funds will not be requested to support this program.

We respectfully request your approval.

  
Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

**COASTAL RESILIENCE  
FISCAL SITUATION FY20  
03-44-44-442010-12090000**

|  |                 |
|--|-----------------|
| Total Federal                          | \$250,000       |
| Less Expenditures thru 6/30/19         | \$0             |
| Remaining Authorization to Budget      | \$250,000       |
| Less Current FY20 Budget Authorization | \$0             |
| Total Available for Budgeting          | \$250,000       |
| <b>REQUESTED ACTION</b>                | <b>\$65,624</b> |
| Available to Budget at a later date    | \$184,376       |

| Grant Award Number | <u>Award<br/>Amount</u> | <u>Expenses<br/>to 6/30/19</u> | <u>Balance</u> |
|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| NA19NOS4190142     | \$250,000               | \$0                            | \$250,000      |
| TOTAL              | \$250,000               | \$0                            | \$250,000      |

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AWARD**

GRANT  COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

FEDERAL AWARD ID NUMBER

**NA19NOS4190142**

RECIPIENT NAME  
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF

PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE  
10/01/2019-03/31/2021

STREET ADDRESS  
29 HAZEN DR

FEDERAL SHARE OF COST  
\$250,000.00

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE  
CONCORD NH 03301-6510

RECIPIENT SHARE OF COST  
\$0.00

AUTHORITY  
16 U.S.C. 1456b

TOTAL ESTIMATED COST  
\$250,000.00

CFDA NO. AND NAME  
11.419 Coastal Zone Management Administration Awards

PROJECT TITLE  
Coast Shift: Changing how the New Hampshire Seacoast transports, plans, permits, and finances for resilience

**This Award Document (Form CD-450) signed by the Grants Officer constitutes an obligation of Federal funding. By signing this Form CD-450, the Recipient agrees to comply with the Award provisions checked below and attached. Upon acceptance by the Recipient, the Form CD-450 must be signed by an authorized representative of the Recipient and returned to the Grants Officer. If not signed and returned without modification by the Recipient within 30 days of receipt, the Grants Officer may unilaterally withdraw this Award offer and de-obligate the funds.**

- DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS
- R & D AWARD
- FEDERAL-WIDE RESEARCH TERMS AND CONDITIONS, AS ADOPTED BY THE DEPT. OF COMMERCE
- SPECIFIC AWARD CONDITIONS
- LINE ITEM BUDGET
- 2 CFR PART 200, UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO 2 CFR § 1327.101
- 48 CFR PART 31, CONTRACT COST PRINCIPLES AND PROCEDURES
- MULTI-YEAR AWARD. PLEASE SEE THE MULTI-YEAR SPECIFIC AWARD CONDITION.
- OTHERS(S):

This award is being made under competitive Federal Funding Opportunity Number NOAA-NOS-OCM-2019-2005819 posted at Grants.gov on 10/19/2018.

CZM Program regulations at 15 C.F.R. Part 923

SIGNATURE OF DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE GRANTS OFFICER

Michele Pollard

DATE

07/30/2019

PRINTED NAME, PRINTED TITLE AND SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED RECIPIENT OFFICIAL

Susan Carlson

DATE

08/08/2019