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**New Hampshire**  
Department of Agriculture,  
Markets & Food

Lorraine S. Merrill, Commissioner

November 5, 2015

Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan  
and the Honorable Executive Council  
State House  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

**REQUESTED ACTION**

Authorize the New Hampshire Department of Agriculture, Markets & Food (NHDAMF) to budget and expend carry forward revenue totaling \$2,708 received from the UNH Risk Management Grant to assist NHDAMF with farm risk management and crop insurance education programs, along with other marketing activities and improvements, effective upon Governor and Council approval to June 30, 2016. These funds are **100% Agency Income – Risk Management**.

Funding to be budgeted as follows:

Risk Management 02-18-18-185000-28220000 Fiscal Year 2016					
Class	Account	Description	Current Budget	Requested Action	Adjusted Budget
009	402918	Agency Income	\$26,000	\$2,708	\$28,708
020	500200	Current Expenses	1,500	2,437	3,937
030	500321	Equipment	400		400
040	500800	Indirect Costs	3,731	270	4,001
041	500801	Audit Fund Set Aside	26	1	27
069	500567	Promotional	12,843		12,843
102	500731	Contracts for Program Services	7,500		7,500
		Totals	26,000	\$2,708	28,708

**EXPLANATION**

The University of New Hampshire (UNH) received funds from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to conduct risk management and crop insurance education programs in New Hampshire. UNH granted a portion of these funds to NHDAMF to develop and publish an informational article series, manage a section of the NHDAMF website pertaining to risk management information of interest to the New Hampshire agriculture industry, coordinate and sponsor organic risk management workshops for New Hampshire producers, and publish News Alerts in the Weekly Market Bulletin. Approval of this request will allow NHDAMF to continue progress on these initiatives.

Respectfully submitted,



For Lorraine S. Merrill  
Commissioner

**FISCAL SITUATION – NOVEMBER 5, 2015**  
*02-18-18-184510-28220000 – Risk Management*

Balance Forward – July 1, 2015	\$2,708
Estimated Revenue - FY 2016	26,000
General Funds Available – FY 2016	<u>-0-</u>
Total Funds Available – FY 2016	\$28,708
Current Budget - FY 2016	<u>\$26,000</u>
Funds in Excess of Budget	\$2,708
Amount Reserved if Appropriation Request is Approved	<u>\$0</u>
Additional Appropriation Request - FY 2016	<u>\$2,708</u>