



The State of New Hampshire
Department of Environmental Services

Robert R. Scott, Commissioner



February 13, 2018

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Environmental Services to award a grant to the City of Portsmouth (VC#177463-B001), Portsmouth, NH in the amount of \$200,000 to acquire a conservation easement on 72 acres of land in the Town of Madbury to protect drinking water supply, effective upon Governor & Council approval through December 31, 2018. 100% Drinking Water /Groundwater Trust Fund.

Funding is available in the account as follows:

03-44-44-442010-3904-073-500580	<u>FY 2018</u>
Dept Environmental Services, DWGW Trust, Grants Non-Federal	\$200,000

EXPLANATION

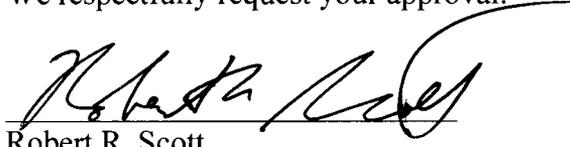
The Drinking Water and Ground Water Trust Fund was created in 2016, using \$276 million of MtBE trial judgement funds, as authorized by RSA 485-F. The purpose of the Trust Fund is to provide sustainable, long-term funding for the protection, preservation, and enhancement of the drinking water and groundwater resources of the state. The Drinking Water and Groundwater Advisory Commission was established to administer the Trust Fund and to provide guidance to the State on the use of the Trust Fund.

On November 2, 2017, the Advisory Commission voted to authorize ten grants and eleven loans to various communities for drinking water protection, preservation, and enhancement projects. The City of Portsmouth's request for \$200,000 was on the list for an initial round of funding from the Trust Fund. The City of Portsmouth will use the grant funds as well as City Water Enterprise funds to acquire a conservation easement on 72 acres in the Bellamy Reservoir watershed.

The total cost for the City of Portsmouth to acquire the land and conservation easement is \$423,130. The Department will provide \$200,000 with \$223,130 in match provided by the City of Portsmouth. The purchase price of this conservation easement is based on a recent appraisal of fair market value.

Exhibit A describes the scope of the grant. Exhibit B provides the grant amount and payment terms and Exhibit C contains special provisions. Attachment A contains the draft conservation easement deed with restrictions. The Attorney General's office has approved the attached draft conservation easement deed as to form and substance, and will approve the actual deed as to execution. Attachment B contains a map of the land, which shows the land's relationship to the water supply source being protected.

We respectfully request your approval.

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Robert R. Scott
Commissioner

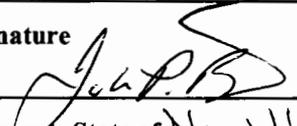
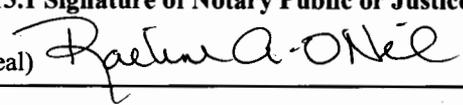
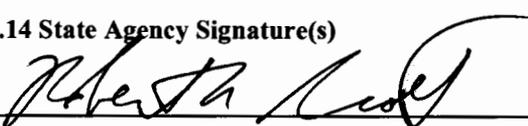
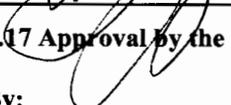
Subject: Grant Agreement for a NH Drinking Water and Groundwater Trust Fund Grant

GRANT AGREEMENT

The State of New Hampshire and the Grantee hereby mutually agree as follows:

GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. IDENTIFICATIONS

1.1 State Agency Name NH Department of Environmental Services		1.2 State Agency Address 29 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH 03302-0095	
1.3 Grantee Name: City of Portsmouth, NH		1.4 Grantee Address 1 Junkins Avenue, Portsmouth, NH	
1.5 Effective Date Upon G&C approval	1.6 Completion Date 12/31/2018	1.7 Audit Date N/A	1.8 Grant Limitation \$200,000
1.9 Grant Officer for State Agency Holly Green NH Department of Environmental Services		1.10 State Agency Telephone Number (603) 271-3114	
1.11 Grantee Signature 		1.12 Name & Title of Grantee Signor John P. Bohenko, City Manager	
1.13 Acknowledgment: State of <u>New Hampshire</u> , County of <u>Rockingham</u> On <u>2/8/18</u> , before the undersigned officer, personally appeared the person identified in block 1.12., or satisfactorily proven to be the person whose name is signed in block 1.11., and acknowledged that s/he executed this document in the capacity indicated in block 1.12.			
1.13.1 Signature of Notary Public or Justice of the Peace (Seal) 			
1.13.2 Name & Title of Notary Public or Justice of the Peace Raeline A. O'Neil, Notary Public My commission exp.: 10/11/22			
1.14 State Agency Signature(s) 		1.15 Name/Title of State Agency Signor(s) Robert R. Scott, Commissioner	
1.16 Approval by Attorney General's Office (Form, Substance and Execution) By:  Attorney, On: <u>2/21/18</u>			
1.17 Approval by the Governor and Council By:  On: <u> / /</u>			

2. **SCOPE OF WORK.** In exchange for grant funds provided by the state of New Hampshire, acting through the agency identified in block 1.1 (hereinafter referred to as "the State"), pursuant to RSA 21-O, the Grantee identified in block 1.3 (hereinafter referred to as "the Grantee"), shall perform that work identified and more particularly described in the scope of work attached hereto as EXHIBIT A (the scope of work being referred to as "the Project").

3. **AREA COVERED.** Except as otherwise specifically provided for herein, the Grantee shall perform the Project in, and with respect to, the state of New Hampshire.

4. **EFFECTIVE DATE; COMPLETION OF PROJECT.**

4.1 This Agreement, and all obligations of the parties hereunder, shall become effective on the date in block 1.5 or on the date of approval of this Agreement by the Governor and Council of the State of New Hampshire whichever is later (hereinafter referred to as "the Effective Date").

4.2 Except as otherwise specifically provided for herein, the Project, including all reports required by this Agreement, shall be completed in ITS entirety prior to the date in block 1.6 (hereinafter referred to as "the Completion Date").

5. **GRANT AMOUNT; LIMITATION ON AMOUNT; VOUCHERS; PAYMENT.**

5.1 The Grant Amount is identified and more particularly described in EXHIBIT B, attached hereto.

5.2 The manner of, and schedule of payment shall be as set forth in EXHIBIT B.

5.3 In accordance with the provisions set forth in EXHIBIT B, and in consideration of the satisfactory performance of the Project, as determined by the State, and as limited by subparagraph 5.5 of these general provisions, the State shall pay the Grantee the Grant Amount. The State shall withhold from the amount otherwise payable to the Grantee under this subparagraph 5.3 those sums required, or permitted, to be withheld pursuant to N.H. RSA 80:7 through 7-c.

5.4 The payment by the State of the Grant amount shall be the only, and the complete, compensation to the Grantee for all expenses, of whatever nature, incurred by the Grantee in the performance hereof, and shall be the only, and the complete, compensation to the Grantee for the Project. The State shall have no liabilities to the Grantee other than the Grant Amount.

5.5 Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, and notwithstanding unexpected circumstances, in no event shall the total of all payments authorized, or actually made, hereunder exceed the Grant limitation set forth in block 1.8 of these general provisions.

6. **COMPLIANCE BY GRANTEE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS.**

In connection with the performance of the Project, the Grantee shall comply with all statutes, laws, regulations, and orders of federal, state, county, or municipal authorities which shall impose any obligations or duty upon the Grantee, including the acquisition of any and all necessary permits.

7. **RECORDS AND ACCOUNTS.**

7.1 Between the Effective Date and the date seven (7) years after the Completion Date the Grantee shall keep detailed accounts of all expenses incurred in connection with the Project, including, but not limited to, costs of administration, transportation, insurance, telephone calls, and clerical materials and services. Such accounts shall be supported by receipts, invoices, bills and other similar documents.

7.2 Between the Effective Date and the date seven (7) years after the Completion Date, at any time during the Grantee's normal business hours, and as often as the State shall demand, the Grantee shall make available to the State all records pertaining to matters covered by this Agreement. The Grantee shall permit the State to audit, examine, and reproduce such records, and to make audits of all contracts, invoices, materials, payrolls, records or personnel, data (as that term is hereinafter defined), and other information relating to all matters covered by this Agreement. As used in this paragraph, "Grantee" includes all persons, natural or fictional,

affiliated with, controlled by, or under common ownership with, the entity identified as the Grantee in block 1.3 of these general provisions.

8. **PERSONNEL.**

8.1 The Grantee shall, at its own expense, provide all personnel necessary to perform the Project. The Grantee warrants that all personnel engaged in the Project shall be qualified to perform such Project, and shall be properly licensed and authorized to perform such Project under all applicable laws.

8.2 The Grantee shall not hire, and it shall not permit any subcontractor, subgrantee, or other person, firm or corporation with whom it is engaged in a combined effort to perform such Project, to hire any person who has a contractual relationship with the State, or who is a State officer or employee, elected or appointed.

8.3 The Grant officer shall be the representative of the State hereunder. In the event of any dispute hereunder, the interpretation of this Agreement by the Grant Officer, and his/her decision on any dispute, shall be final.

9. **DATA; RETENTION OF DATA; ACCESS.**

9.1 As used in this Agreement, the word "data" shall mean all information and things developed or obtained during the performance of, or acquired or developed or obtained during the performance of, or acquired or developed by reason of, this Agreement, including, but not limited to, all studies, reports, files, formulae, surveys, maps, charts, sound recordings, video recordings, pictorial reproductions, drawings, analyses, graphic representations, computer programs, computer printouts, notes, letters, memoranda, papers, and documents, all whether finished or unfinished.

9.2 Between the Effective Date and the Completion Date the Grantee shall grant to the State, or any person designated by it, unrestricted access to all data for examination, duplication, publication, translation, sale, disposal, or for any other purpose whatsoever.

9.3 No data shall be subject to copyright in the United States or any other country by anyone other than the State.

9.4 On and after the Effective Date all data, and any property which has been received from the State or purchased with funds provided for that purpose under this Agreement, shall be the property of the State, and shall be returned to the State upon demand or upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, whichever shall first occur.

9.5 The State, and anyone it shall designate, shall have unrestricted authority to publish, disclose, distribute and otherwise use, in whole or in part, all data.

10. **CONDITIONAL NATURE OF AGREEMENT.**

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, all obligations of the State hereunder, including without limitation, the continuance of payments hereunder, are contingent upon the availability or continued appropriation of funds, and in no event shall the State be liable for any payments hereunder in excess of such available or appropriated funds. In the event of a reduction or termination of those funds, the State shall have the right to withhold payment until such funds become available, if ever, and shall have the right to terminate this Agreement immediately upon giving the Grantee notice of such termination.

11. **EVENT OF DEFAULT; REMEDIES.**

11.1 Any one or more of the following acts or omissions of the Grantee shall constitute an event of default hereunder (hereinafter referred to as "Events of Default"):

11.1.1 failure to perform the Project satisfactorily or on schedule; or

11.1.2 failure to submit any report required hereunder; or

11.1.3 failure to maintain, or permit access to, the records required hereunder; or

11.1.4 failure to perform any of the other covenants and conditions of this Agreement.

11.2 Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default, the State may take any one, or more, or all, of the following actions:

11.2.1 give the Grantee a written notice specifying the Event of

Default and requiring it to be remedied within, in the absence of a greater or lesser specification of time, thirty (30) days from the date of the notice; and if the Event of Default is not timely remedied, terminate this Agreement, effective two (2) days after giving the Grantee notice of termination; and

11.2.2 give the Grantee a written notice specifying the Event of Default and suspending all payments to be made under this Agreement and ordering that the portion of the Grant Amount which would otherwise accrue to the grantee during the period from the date of such notice until such time as the State determines that the Grantee has cured the Event of Default shall never be paid to the Grantee; and

11.2.3 set off against any other obligation the State may owe to the Grantee any damages the State suffers by reason of any Event of Default; and

11.2.4 treat the agreement as breached and pursue any of its remedies at law or in equity, or both.

12. TERMINATION.

12.1 In the event of any early termination of this Agreement for any reason other than the completion of the Project, the Grantee shall deliver to the Grant Officer, not later than fifteen (15) days after the date of termination, a report (hereinafter referred to as the "Termination Report") describing in detail all Project Work performed, and the Grant Amount earned, to and including the date of termination.

12.2 In the event of Termination under paragraphs 10 or 12.4 of these general provisions, the approval of such a Termination Report by the State shall entitle the Grantee to receive that portion of the Grant amount earned to and including the date of termination.

12.3 In the event of Termination under paragraphs 10 or 12.4 of these general provisions, the approval of such a Termination Report by the State shall in no event relieve the Grantee from any and all liability for damages sustained or incurred by the State as a result of the Grantee's breach of its obligations hereunder.

12.4 Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, either the State or except where notice default has been given to the Grantee hereunder, the Grantee, may terminate this Agreement without cause upon thirty (30) days written notice.

13. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST.** No officer, member or employee of the Grantee and no representative, officer of employee of the State of New Hampshire or of the governing body of the locality or localities in which the Project is to be performed, who exercises any functions or responsibilities in the review or approval of the undertaking or carrying out of such Project, shall participate in any decision relating to this Agreement which affects his or her personal interests or the interest of any corporation, partnership, or association in which he or she is directly or indirectly interested, nor shall he or she have any personal or pecuniary interest, direct or indirect, in this Agreement or the proceeds thereof.

14. **GRANTEE'S RELATION TO THE STATE.** In the performance of this Agreement, the Grantee, its employees, and any subcontractor or subgrantee of the Grantee are in all respects independent contractors, and are neither agents nor employees of the State. Neither the Grantee nor any of its officers, employees, agents, members, subcontractors or subgrantees, shall have authority to bind the State nor are they entitled to any of the benefits, worker's compensation or emoluments provided by the State to its employees.

15. **ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTS.** The Grantee shall not assign, or otherwise transfer any interest in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the State. None of the Project Work shall be subcontracted or subgranted by the Grantee other than as set forth in Exhibit A without the prior written consent of the State.

16. **INDEMNIFICATION.** The Grantee shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State, its officers and employees, from and against any and all losses suffered by the State, its officers and employees, and any and all claims, liabilities or penalties asserted against the State, its officers and employees, by or on behalf of any

person, on account of, based on, resulting from, arising out of (or which may be claimed to arise out of) the acts or omissions of the Grantee of Subcontractor, or subgrantee or other agent of the Grantee. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein contained shall be deemed to constitute a waiver of the sovereign immunity of the State, which immunity is hereby reserved to the State. This covenant shall survive the termination of this agreement.

17. INSURANCE AND BOND.

17.1 The Grantee shall, at its sole expense, obtain and maintain in force, or shall require any subcontractor, subgrantee or assignee performing Project work to obtain and maintain in force, both for the benefit of the State, the following insurance:

17.1.1 statutory worker's compensation and employees liability insurance for all employees engaged in the performance of the Project, and

17.1.2 comprehensive public liability insurance against all claims of bodily injuries, death or property damage, in amounts not less than \$2,000,000 for bodily injury or death any one incident, and \$500,000 for property damage in any one incident; and

17.2 The policies described in subparagraph 17.1 of this paragraph shall be the standard form employed in the State of New Hampshire, issued by underwriters acceptable to the State, and authorized to do business in the State of New Hampshire. Each policy shall contain a clause prohibiting cancellation or modification of the policy earlier than ten (10) days after written notice has been received by the State.

18. **WAIVER OF BREACH.** No failure by the State to enforce any provisions hereof after any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of its rights with regard to that Event, or any subsequent Event. No express waiver of any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of any provisions hereof. No such failure or waiver shall be deemed a waiver of the right of the State to enforce each and all of the provisions hereof upon any further or other default on the part of the Grantee.

19. **NOTICE.** Any notice by a party hereto to the other party shall be deemed to have been duly delivered or given at the time of mailing by certified mail, postage prepaid, in a United States Post Office addressed to the parties at the addresses first above given.

20. **AMENDMENT.** This agreement may be amended, waived or discharged only by an instrument in writing signed by the parties hereto and only after approval of such amendment, waiver or discharge by the Governor and Council of the State of New Hampshire.

21. **CONSTRUCTION OF AGREEMENT AND TERMS.** This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the law of the State of New Hampshire, and is binding upon and inures to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assignees. The captions and contents of the "subject" blank are used only as a matter of convenience, and are not to be considered a part of this Agreement or to be used in determining the intent of the parties hereto.

22. **THIRD PARTIES.** The parties hereto do not intend to benefit any third parties and this Agreement shall not be construed to confer any such benefit.

23. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT.** This Agreement, which may be executed in a number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the parties, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings relating hereto.

EXHIBIT A
SCOPE OF SERVICES

City of Portsmouth

The City of Portsmouth will use the grant to acquire a conservation easement on approximately 72 acres of land in the protection area of the City of Portsmouth's drinking water source. Southeast Land Trust of New Hampshire will hold the conservation easement. The parcel of land, designated on current Madbury Tax Map 2 as Lot 11 will be protected in perpetuity, as specified in conservation easement deed (see Attachment A), with water supply protection being one of the purposes of the conservation easement.

EXHIBIT B
GRANT AMOUNT & PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Payment in the amount of \$200,000.00 shall be made to the City of Portsmouth upon receipt of the following:

1. Survey of the parcel of land.
2. A copy of the appraisal.
3. Title examination.
4. Acceptable stewardship plan for the property that ensures the permanent protection of the water supply.
5. Completed baseline documentation form, which indicates the current condition of the property.
6. Documentation to support the match of \$223,130.00 provided by the City of Portsmouth.
7. The finalized conservation easement deed.

Grantee Initials NC
Date 2/13/18

EXHIBIT C

SPECIAL PROVISIONS

1. Subparagraph 1.7 of the General Provisions shall not apply to this Grant Agreement.
2. Section 17.1.2. is amended so that the required comprehensive general liability insurance per occurrence is \$1,000,000 for bodily injury or death in any one incident as no construction or other similar activities will be performed by the grantee. Any subcontractor will remain obligated to carry comprehensive general liability insurance in amounts not less than \$250,000 per claim and \$2,000,000 per occurrence.

Grantee Initials *NG*
Date 2/13/18

CERTIFICATE OF VOTE

I, **Kelli L. Barnaby**, do hereby certify that I am the **City Clerk** of the **City of Portsmouth**, a municipality in the State of New Hampshire, County of Rockingham, in the United States of America.

I do further certify that the **Portsmouth City Council** voted to enter into a grant agreement with the NH Department of Environmental Services, and John P. Bohenko is the City Manager of the municipality and is duly authorized by the by-laws and laws of the State of New Hampshire to execute and deliver on behalf of the municipality any documents which may be necessary for this grant agreement with the State of New Hampshire for the purposes of a conservation easement purchase to protect the water quality of the Bellamy Reservoir which is a drinking water supply for the City of Portsmouth. This authority was given during an official meeting of the Portsmouth City Council on February 5, 2018.

I further certify that such authority has not been repealed, rescinded, or amended.

In witness where, I have hereunto set my hand and attached the seal of the City of Portsmouth on this 8th day of February, 2018.

CITY OF PORTSMOUTH

By: Kelli L. Barnaby
Kelli L. Barnaby, City Clerk

State of New Hampshire
County of Rockingham

Dated this 8th day of February, 2018 personally appeared Kelli L. Barnaby, City Clerk who subscribed and sworn to the above statement.

Valerie A. French
Justice of the Peace/Notary Public
My Commission Expires: _____

VALERIE A. FRENCH
Notary Public - New Hampshire
My Commission Expires February 11, 2020



CERTIFICATE OF COVERAGE

The New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange (Primex³) is organized under the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 5-B, Pooled Risk Management Programs. In accordance with those statutes, its Trust Agreement and bylaws, Primex³ is authorized to provide pooled risk management programs established for the benefit of political subdivisions in the State of New Hampshire.

Each member of Primex³ is entitled to the categories of coverage set forth below. In addition, Primex³ may extend the same coverage to non-members. However, any coverage extended to a non-member is subject to all of the terms, conditions, exclusions, amendments, rules, policies and procedures that are applicable to the members of Primex³, including but not limited to the final and binding resolution of all claims and coverage disputes before the Primex³ Board of Trustees. The Additional Covered Party's per occurrence limit shall be deemed included in the Member's per occurrence limit, and therefore shall reduce the Member's limit of liability as set forth by the Coverage Documents and Declarations. The limit shown may have been reduced by claims paid on behalf of the member. General Liability coverage is limited to Coverage A (Personal Injury Liability) and Coverage B (Property Damage Liability) only, Coverage's C (Public Officials Errors and Omissions), D (Unfair Employment Practices), E (Employee Benefit Liability) and F (Educator's Legal Liability Claims-Made Coverage) are excluded from this provision of coverage.

The below named entity is a member in good standing of the New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange. The coverage provided may, however, be revised at any time by the actions of Primex³. As of the date this certificate is issued, the information set out below accurately reflects the categories of coverage established for the current coverage year.

This Certificate is issued as a matter of information only and confers no rights upon the certificate holder. This certificate does not amend, extend, or alter the coverage afforded by the coverage categories listed below.

Participating Member: City of Portsmouth One Junkins Avenue Portsmouth, NH 03801		Member Number: 275	Company Affording Coverage: NH Public Risk Management Exchange - Primex ³ Bow Brook Place 46 Donovan Street Concord, NH 03301-2624		
Type of Coverage	Effective Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Expiration Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Limits - NH Statutory Limits May Apply		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General Liability (Occurrence Form) Professional Liability (describe) <input type="checkbox"/> Claims Made <input type="checkbox"/> Occurrence	7/1/2017	7/1/2018	Each Occurrence	\$ 1,000,000	
			General Aggregate	\$ 2,000,000	
			Fire Damage (Any one fire)		
			Med Exp (Any one person)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Automobile Liability Deductible Comp and Coll: <input type="checkbox"/> Any auto			Combined Single Limit (Each Accident)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Workers' Compensation & Employers' Liability			Statutory		
			Each Accident		
			Disease - Each Employee		
			Disease - Policy Limit		
<input type="checkbox"/> Property (Special Risk includes Fire and Theft)			Blanket Limit, Replacement Cost (unless otherwise stated)		
Description: In regards to the Grant Agreement, the certificate holder is named as Additional Covered Party, but only to the extent liability is based solely on the negligence or wrongful acts of the member, its employees, agents, officials or volunteers. This coverage does not extend to others. Any liability resulting from the negligence or wrongful acts of the Additional Covered Party, or their employees, agents, contractors, members, officers, directors or affiliates is not covered. Pollution and hazardous waste related liabilities, expenses and claims are excluded from coverage in the coverage document.					

CERTIFICATE HOLDER:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Additional Covered Party	<input type="checkbox"/>	Loss Payee	Primex³ - NH Public Risk Management Exchange
NH Department of Environmental Services 29 Hazen Drive Concord, NH 03301					By: <i>Tammy Denver</i>
					Date: 2/7/2018 tdenver@nhprimex.org Please direct inquiries to: Primex³ Claims/Coverage Services 603-225-2841 phone 603-228-3833 fax



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Type of Coverage	Effective Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Expiration Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Limits - NH Statutory Limits May Apply, if Not
General Liability (Occurrence Form) Professional Liability (describe) <input type="checkbox"/> Claims Made <input type="checkbox"/> Occurrence			Each Occurrence General Aggregate Fire Damage (Any one fire) Med Exp (Any one person)
Automobile Liability Deductible Comp and Coll: <input type="checkbox"/> Any auto			Combined Single Limit (Each Accident) Aggregate
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Workers' Compensation & Employers' Liability	1/1/2018	1/1/2019	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Statutory Each Accident \$2,000,000 Disease – Each Employee \$2,000,000 Disease – Policy Limit
<input type="checkbox"/> Property (Special Risk includes Fire and Theft)			Blanket Limit, Replacement Cost (unless otherwise stated)

Description: Proof of Primex Member coverage only.

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NH Department of Environmental Services 29 Hazen Drive Concord, NH 03301			

Attachment A

Draft Conservation Easement Deed

[All items in brackets require selection, revision, or deletion of appropriate portions of text.]

CONSERVATION EASEMENT DEED

I/We, [NAME OF GRANTOR(S)], single/husband and wife, of/~~with~~ a principal place of business at [street name and number], Town of Madbury, County of ~~Strafford~~, State of New Hampshire, (hereinafter referred to as the "Grantor", which word where ~~the~~ context requires includes the plural and shall, unless the context clearly ~~indicates~~ otherwise, ~~include~~ the Grantor's executors, administrators, legal representatives, devisees, heirs, successors and assigns),

for consideration paid, with WARRANTY covenants, ~~grant[s]~~ in perpetuity to

the CITY OF PORTSMOUTH NEW HAMPSHIRE, a municipality in the State of New Hampshire duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of New Hampshire, with a principal place of business at 1 Junkins Avenue, Portsmouth NH, County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire, 03801, (hereinafter referred to as the "Grantee" which shall, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, include the Grantee's successors and assigns), the Conservation Easement (herein referred to as the "Easement") hereinafter described with respect to that certain parcel/area of land (herein referred to as the "Property") with any and all buildings, structures, and improvements thereon/being unimproved land, consisting of approximately 72.0 acres, situated on Hook Mill Road in the Town of Madbury, County of Strafford, State of New Hampshire, more particularly bounded and described in Appendix "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof.

The conservation attributes and present conditions of the Property are further described and set forth in a Baseline Documentation Report with the original on file with the Grantee and a copy provided to the Grantor and the Executory Easement Holder.

1. PURPOSES

The Easement hereby granted is pursuant to NH RSA 477:45-47, exclusively for the following conservation Purposes (herein referred to as the "Purposes") for the public benefit:

- A. The protection of the Bellamy Reservoir water quality, which supplies over half of the drinking water to the City of Portsmouth and surrounding towns;
- B. The protection of the natural habitat of _____
[add specific resource features relevant to this purpose, e.g. identified deer yard, exemplary natural community, etc.]; and

- B. The conservation [and protection] of open spaces, particularly the conservation of the productive farm and/or forest land of which the Property consists and of the wildlife habitat thereon [add specific resource values relevant to this purpose], and the protection of the undeveloped feet of water frontage along the Bellamy River and Bellamy Reservoir, upon which it fronts, and the long-term protection of the Property's capacity to produce economically valuable agricultural and forestry products [add specific resource features relevant to this purpose, e.g. soil productivity classification]; and
- C. The scenic enjoyment of the general public [add specific resource features relevant to this purpose, e.g. # feet of undeveloped road frontage];
- [E. insert additional purposes, as appropriate]

The above Purposes are consistent with the clearly delineated open space conservation goals and/or objectives as stated in the [date] Master Plan of the Town/City of _____, which states " _____ " and with New Hampshire RSA Chapter 79-A which states: "It is hereby declared to be in the public interest to encourage the preservation of open space, thus providing a healthful and attractive outdoor environment for work and recreation of the state's citizens, maintaining the character of the state's landscape, and conserving the land, water, forest, agricultural and wildlife resources."

All of these Purposes are consistent and in accordance with the U.S. Internal Revenue Code, Section 170(h).

The Easement hereby granted with respect to the Property is as follows:

2. USE LIMITATIONS (Subject to the reserved rights specified in Section 3 below)

The Property shall be maintained in perpetuity as open space subject to the following use limitations:

- A. There shall not be conducted on the Property any industrial or commercial activities, except Agriculture and Forestry, as described below, and provided that the productive capacity of the Property to yield forest and/or agricultural crops shall not be degraded by on-site activities.

i. **Description of Agriculture and Forestry**

- a. **Agriculture:** For the purposes hereof, "Agriculture" shall include floriculture, and horticulture activities; the production of plants for domestic or commercial purposes; the growing, stocking, cutting, and sale of Christmas trees; and the processing and sale of products produced on the Property (such as pick-your-own fruits and vegetables and maple syrup) all as not detrimental to the Purposes of this Easement.
- b. **Forestry:** For the purposes hereof, "Forestry" shall include the growing, stocking, cutting, and sale of forest trees of any size capable of producing timber or other forest products, all as not detrimental to the Purposes of this Easement.

1. **Commercial Forestry:** For the purposes hereof, "Commercial Forestry" shall include all forestry and forest management activities performed for commercial or industrial purposes, including barter transactions.

2. **Non-commercial Forestry:** For the purposes hereof, "Non-commercial Forestry" shall include non-commercial timber stand improvement activities, wildlife habitat improvement, and the small-scale cutting or harvesting of wood products for the domestic use of the Grantor, such as clearing trees to maintain the edge of a field, thinning the forest stand to maintain a view, or cutting firewood for domestic consumption. Non-commercial Forestry shall not include activities conducted for the contemporaneous production of sale proceeds or other consideration.

- ii. **Requirements for Agriculture:** Agriculture shall be performed, to the extent reasonably practicable, in accordance with a coordinated management plan for the sites and soils of the Property. Agricultural management activities shall be in accordance with the then-current scientifically based practices recommended by UNH Cooperative Extension, U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service, or other government or private, nonprofit natural resource conservation and management agencies then active. Such management activities shall not be detrimental to the Purposes of this Easement. [Add Agricultural restrictions to areas only currently cleared for the Christmas tree farm, with no additional land cleared for this use]

- iii. **Requirements for Forestry:** Any and all Commercial and Non-commercial Forestry shall be carried out in accordance with all applicable local, state, and federal laws and regulations, and, to the extent reasonably practicable, in accordance with then-current, generally accepted best management practices for the sites, soils, and terrain of the Property and shall not be detrimental to the Purposes of the Easement. No Commercial or Non-Commercial Forestry shall occur within 50 feet of the high water mark of the Bellamy Reservoir, as delineated along the 136 foot-msl elevation contour. No Commercial or Non-Commercial Forestry shall occur within 50 feet of the Bellamy River. Exceptions to this limitation may be granted by mutual agreement in writing by the Grantor and Grantee. For references on best management practices

see:

- “New Hampshire Best Management Practices for Erosion Control on Timber Harvesting Operations” (N.H. Division of Forests and Lands, 2016); and
- “Good Forestry in the Granite State: Recommended Voluntary Forest Management Practices for New Hampshire” (New Hampshire Forest Sustainability Standards Work Team, 2010), or similar successor publications.

iv. **Requirements for Commercial Forestry:** In addition to the requirements outlined in Section 2.A.iii above, Commercial Forestry shall be performed using silvicultural practices that enhance or maintain the value of timber while recognizing that the ecological, aesthetic, wildlife, or other non-timber values are important components of the forest. To the extent reasonably practicable, forestry shall meet the following goals:

a. The goals are:

- maintenance of soil productivity;
- protection of water quality, wetlands, and riparian zones;
- maintenance or improvement of the overall quality of forest products;
- conservation of scenic quality;
- protection of significant or fragile natural areas;
- protection of significant historic and cultural features; and
- conservation of native plant and animal species.

b. Any and all Commercial Forestry shall be performed in accordance with a written Forest Management Plan consistent with this Easement, prepared by a licensed professional forester, or by other qualified person approved in advance and in writing by the Grantee.

c. Said Forest Management Plan shall have been prepared not more than ten (10) years prior to the date any harvesting is expected to commence. Or, if more than ten (10) years old, the plan shall have been reviewed and updated as required by such a forester or other qualified person at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of harvest.

d. Said Forest Management Plan shall include a statement of landowner objectives, and shall specifically address:

- the accomplishment of those Purposes for which this Easement is granted,
- the goals in Section 2.A.iv.above
- the protection of the water quality in the Bellamy Reservoir and Bellamy River, as well as minimizing disturbance around the river and all wetlands; and

e. At least thirty (30) days prior to any commercial timber harvest, the Grantee shall have received from the Grantor a written certification, signed by a licensed professional forester, or by other qualified person approved in advance and in writing by the Grantee, that the Forest Management Plan, as defined in 2.A.iv, a-

d, above, has been prepared in compliance with the terms of this Easement. Grantee may request the Grantor to submit the Plan itself to Grantee within ten (10) days of such request, but acknowledges that the plan's purpose is to guide forest management activities in compliance with this Easement, and that the actual activities will determine compliance therewith.

- f. Timber harvesting with respect to any Commercial Forestry shall be conducted in accordance with said Plan and be supervised by a licensed professional forester, or by other qualified person approved in advance and in writing by the Grantee.
- B. The Property shall not be subdivided, except that the lease of any portion of the Property for any use permitted by this Easement shall not violate this provision.
- C. The following provisions shall apply to structures or improvements on the Property:
- i. No structure or improvement shall be constructed, placed, introduced, enlarged, relocated, used, maintained, repaired, replaced, rebuilt, or improved on, above, or below the Property, except for structures and improvements which meet all the following conditions and which:
 - a. Assist in the accomplishment of agriculture, forestry, conservation, habitat management, or noncommercial outdoor recreational uses on the Property, and which may include but shall not be limited to: permeable road, dam, fence, bridge, culvert, barn, maple sugar house, trail, boardwalk or shed; and
 - b. Do not cause the total impervious surface coverage of the Property to exceed 2,400 square feet; for the purposes of this restriction, impervious surfaces are defined as material that does not allow water to percolate into the soil on the Property. Impervious surfaces include, but are not limited to buildings with or without flooring, paved areas, and any other surfaces that are covered by asphalt, concrete, or roofs, but shall specifically exclude bridges; boardwalks; culverts; impervious surfaces not in place year-round such as row covers for agricultural crops, tents and awnings; and roadways, or other improvements established on the Property by third parties exercising lawful rights obtained prior to the date of this Easement;
 - c. Structures with impervious surfaces shall not be constructed within the buffer area which was delineated by the Corps of Engineers as part of the Bellamy River Project, nor shall there be any application of fertilizers, pesticides, or herbicides within these buffer areas; and
 - d. Are not detrimental to the Purposes of this Easement.
 - ii. Prior to the Grantor's construction, placement, introduction, enlargement, or relocation of any structure or improvement with a footprint exceeding six hundred (600) square feet, the Grantor must obtain written approval of the same from the Grantee. For any structure or improvement containing a roof, said footprint shall

include the area within the dripline. For an enlargement of a structure, the square footage calculation under this provision shall only be the enlargement and shall not include the original structure.

a. At least forty-five (45) days prior to the commencement of any such construction, installation, or on-site preparation therefor including but not limited to land clearing, the Grantor shall provide the Grantee with written notice with details of said structure or improvement including but not limited to scope, size, and location, and method and timing of said construction/installation. Within thirty (30) days after Grantee's receipt of such notice, the Grantee shall inform the Grantor in writing of its approval, approval with conditions, or disapproval of the proposed structure or improvement, such approval not to be unreasonably withheld. Any disapproval shall specify the reasons therefor.

iii. Notwithstanding the above provisions of this Section 2.C., there shall not be constructed, placed, introduced, enlarged, relocated, used, maintained, repaired, replaced, rebuilt, or improved on, under, or above the Property any of the following structures or improvements, including any portion thereof: dwelling, mobile home, cabin, residential driveway, any portion of a septic system, underground storage tank, tennis court, swimming pool, athletic field, golf course, or aircraft landing area.

D. There shall be no removal, filling, or other disturbances of soil surface, nor any changes in topography, surface or subsurface water systems, wetlands, or natural habitat unless such activities:

i. are commonly necessary in the accomplishment of the agricultural, forestry, conservation, habitat management, or noncommercial outdoor recreational uses of the Property; and

ii. do not harm state or federally recognized rare, threatened, or endangered species, or exemplary natural communities, such determination of harm to be based upon information from the New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau or the agency then recognized by the State of New Hampshire as having responsibility for identification and/or conservation of such species and/or natural communities; and

iii. are not detrimental to the Purposes of this Easement.

Prior to commencement of any such activities, all necessary federal, state, local, and other governmental permits and approvals shall be secured.

E. No outdoor advertising structures shall be displayed on the Property except as desirable or necessary in the accomplishment of the agricultural, forestry, conservation, or noncommercial outdoor recreational uses of the Property, and provided such structures are not detrimental to the Purposes of this Easement. No sign on the Property shall exceed 12 square feet in size, and no sign shall be artificially illuminated.

F. There shall be no mining, quarrying, excavation, or removal (hereinafter referred to as "extractive activities") of surface or subsurface materials including but not limited to

hydrocarbons, rocks, minerals, gravel, sand, topsoil, or other similar materials (hereinafter referred to as “extractive materials”) on, under, or from the Property, unless all of the following conditions are met:

- i. Said extractive activities are undertaken in furtherance of improvements made pursuant to and consistent with the provisions of Sections 2.A., C., D., and/or E., above, and in accordance with relevant Best Management Practices;
- ii. No extractive materials shall be removed from the Property, ~~except~~ with advance written approval of the Grantee after the Grantee has ~~determined~~, in its sole discretion, that said removal is not detrimental to the ~~Purposes~~ of this Easement;
- iii. Said extractive activities shall be limited to the “ _____ [insert name of zone(s)] _____” as shown on the [“Survey Plan” or “map entitled “ _____” in the Baseline Documentation Report”], with opportunity for said zone(s) to be ~~relocated~~ from time to time by mutual agreement of the Grantor and the Grantee, only after a finding by the Grantee that the proposed new location and configuration of said zone(s) are no more detrimental to the Purposes of this Easement than the established zone(s) proposed to be relocated, and, further, if said ~~relocation~~ does not convey impermissible private benefit;
- iv. The maximum cumulative footprint of the extractive zones with exposed soil at any one time shall not exceed _____ square feet;
- v. Said extractive activities shall not significantly diminish the Property’s productive capacity, including soil productivity, to yield forest and/or agricultural products, nor the Property’s potential future uses for forestry or agriculture, or other permitted uses;
- vi. Said extractive activities shall not harm state or federally recognized rare, threatened, or endangered species, or exemplary natural communities, such determination of harm to be based upon information from the New Hampshire Natural Heritage Bureau or the agency then recognized by the State of New Hampshire as having responsibility for identification and/or conservation of such species and/or natural communities;
- vii. Following the cessation of extractive activities at any given extractive zone on the Property, the Grantor shall restore such zone(s) to a natural vegetated condition and appearance in conformance with all governmental laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations, including but not limited to the requirements of U.S. Treasury Regulations at 1.170A-14(g)(4)(i), as may be amended from time to time;

At least forth-five (45) days prior to the initial commencement or site preparation for extractive activities in any extractive zone the Grantor shall give the Grantee written notice of the commencement of said activities. Said notice shall include a detailed description of the proposed activities (hereinafter the “extraction plan”) including but not limited to the type(s) and volume(s) of said extractive materials to be mined, quarried, excavated, and/or removed from the Property; the proposed uses of said materials; the source and location of said extractive materials within the Property; the timing, duration,

and frequency of said extractive activities; and a plan for restoring the extraction zone following the cessation of extractive activities. The Grantee shall have thirty (30) days from receipt of the Grantor's extraction plan to evaluate the plan and approve, approve with conditions, or disapprove the plan, at the Grantee's sole discretion. Said approval or disapproval shall be based on whether the proposed extraction plan meets all of the above conditions of this Section 2.F., and said approval shall not to be unreasonably withheld. Any disapproval shall specify the reasons therefor. Once an extraction plan is approved by the Grantee, the Grantor does not need to notify the Grantee of individual instances of extraction activities within said zone so long as the activities are within the parameters of the extraction plan.

- G. There shall be no dumping, injection, burning, or burial on the Property of man-made materials or materials then known to be environmentally hazardous.
- H. No rights-of-way or easements of ingress or egress in favor of any third party shall be created or developed into, on, over, or across the Property without the prior written approval of the Grantee, except those of record as of the execution of this Easement and those specifically permitted in the provisions of this Easement.
- I. There shall be no cutting of trees or vegetation within 50 feet of the Bellamy River or Bellamy Reservoir unless approved by the Grantee. All activities within the Shoreland Protection Overlay District shall meet the requirement set forth in the Town of Madbury Zoning Ordinances, effective date March 20, 2014. Other shoreland restrictions as defined in NH State Rule Env-Dw 902.30 shall be incorporated by reference in this easement.

3. RESERVED RIGHTS

- A. _____ This provision is an exception to 2. ____ above.
- B. The Grantor must notify the Grantee in writing at least thirty (30) days before any exercise of the aforesaid reserved rights.

4. NOTIFICATION OF TRANSFER, TAXES, MAINTENANCE

- A. The Grantor agrees to notify the Grantee in writing or via email within ten (10) days of offering the Property for sale. In addition, the Grantor agrees to notify the Grantee in writing or via email at least ten (10) days before the transfer of title to the Property [or any division of ownership thereof permitted hereby].
- B. The Grantee shall be under no obligation to maintain the Property or pay any taxes or assessments thereon.
- C. *Additional information is need to ensure the property and easment holding if taxes are not paid.*

5. BENEFITS AND BURDENS

The burden of the Easement conveyed hereby shall run with the Property and shall be enforceable against all future owners and tenants in perpetuity; the benefits of this Easement shall not be appurtenant to any particular parcel of land but shall be in gross and assignable or transferable only to the State of New Hampshire, the U.S. Government, or any subdivision of either of them, consistent with Section 170(c)(1) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or to any qualified organization within the meaning of Section 170(h)(3) of said Code, which organization has among its purposes the conservation and preservation of land and water areas, agrees to and is capable of protecting the conservation purposes of this Easement, and has the resources to enforce the restrictions of this Easement. Any such assignee or transferee shall have like power of assignment or transfer.

6. AFFIRMATIVE RIGHTS OF GRANTEE

A. The Grantee and Executory Interest Holder shall have reasonable access to the Property and all of its parts for such inspection as is necessary to determine compliance with and to enforce this Easement and exercise the rights conveyed hereby and fulfill the responsibilities and carry out the duties assumed by the acceptance of this Easement.

B. Grantee shall have the right to place, maintain, and replace signs on the Property as follows:

- i. Signs to facilitate inspection of the Property and to identify the Property as conservation land protected by the Grantee, said signs located along the Property's boundaries with each sign not exceeding thirty (900) square inches in size.
- ii. Signs to identify to the public that the Property is conserved land and to recognize funding entities who contributed funding toward the conservation of the Property, as may be required. Said signs shall be located at a visible location on the Property, said location to be mutually agreed upon by the Grantor and Grantee. The Grantee shall be responsible for ensuring that said sign(s) conform with applicable local, state, and federal regulations and shall bear the cost of installation.
- iii. One informational kiosk that are no more than 10 feet wide by 12 feet high within which the Grantee can display information related to its mission, the Property, the effort to conserve the Property and the conservation context of the Property. The Grantor and Grantee shall work together on a mutually agreeable location for said kiosk.

7. RESOLUTION OF DISAGREEMENTS

A. The Grantor and the Grantee desire that issues arising from time to time concerning uses or activities in light of the provisions of the Easement will first be addressed through candid and open communication between the parties rather than unnecessarily formal or adversarial action. Therefore, the Grantor and the Grantee agree that if either party

becomes concerned whether any use or activity (which together for the purposes of this Section, "Resolution of Disagreements," shall be referred to as the "Activity") complies with the provisions of this Easement, wherever reasonably possible the concerned party shall notify the other party of the perceived or potential problem, and the parties shall explore the possibility of reaching an agreeable resolution by informal dialogue.

- B. If informal dialogue does not resolve a disagreement regarding the Activity, and the Grantor agrees not to proceed or to continue with the Activity pending resolution of the disagreement concerning the Activity, either party may refer the disagreement to mediation by written notice to the other. Within ten (10) days of the delivery of such a notice, the parties shall agree on a single impartial mediator. Mediation shall be conducted in Exeter, New Hampshire, or such other location as the parties shall agree. Each party shall pay its own attorneys' fees and the costs of mediation shall be split equally between the parties.
- C. If the parties agree to bypass mediation, if the disagreement concerning the Activity has not been resolved by mediation within sixty (60) days after delivery of the notice of mediation, or if the parties are unable to agree on a mediator within ten (10) days after delivery of the notice of mediation, the disagreement may be submitted to binding arbitration in accordance with New Hampshire RSA 542. The parties shall have ten (10) days to accept or refuse binding arbitration. The Grantor and the Grantee shall each choose an arbitrator within twenty (20) days of the delivery of written notice from either party referring the matter to arbitration. The arbitrators so chosen shall in turn choose a third arbitrator within twenty (20) days of the selection of the second arbitrator. The arbitrators so chosen shall forthwith set as early a hearing date as is practicable, which they may postpone only for good cause shown. The arbitration hearing shall be conducted in Exeter, New Hampshire, or such other location as the parties shall agree. A decision by two of the three arbitrators, made as soon as practicable after submission of the matter, shall be binding upon the parties and shall be enforceable as part of this Easement.
- D. If the parties do not agree to resolve the dispute by arbitration, or if the parties are unable to agree on the selection of an arbitrator, then either party may bring an action at law or in equity in any court of competent jurisdiction to enforce the terms of this Easement, to enjoin the violation by permanent injunction, to require the restoration of the Property to its condition prior to the breach, and to recover such damages as appropriate.
- E. Notwithstanding the availability of mediation and arbitration to address disagreements concerning the compliance of any Activity with the provisions of this Easement, if the Grantee believes that some action or inaction of the Grantor or a third party is causing irreparable harm or damage to the Property, the Grantee may seek a temporary restraining order, preliminary injunction or other form of equitable relief from any court of competent jurisdiction to cause the cessation of any such damage or harm, to enforce the terms of this Easement, to enjoin any violation by permanent injunction, and to require the restoration of the Property to its condition prior to any breach.

8. BREACH OF EASEMENT – GRANTEE'S REMEDIES

- A. If the Grantee determines that a breach of this Easement has occurred or is threatened, the Grantee shall notify the Grantor in writing of such breach and demand corrective action to cure the breach and, where the breach involves injury to the Property, to restore the portion of the Property so injured to its prior condition.
- B. The Grantor shall, within thirty (30) days after receipt of such notice or after otherwise learning of such breach, undertake those actions, including restoration, which are reasonably calculated to cure swiftly said breach and to repair any damage. The Grantor shall promptly notify the Grantee of its actions taken hereunder.
- C. If the Grantor fails to perform its obligations under the immediately preceding paragraph B. above, or fails to continue diligently to cure any breach until finally cured, the Grantee may undertake any actions that are reasonably necessary to repair any damage in the Grantor's name or to cure such breach, including an action at law or in equity in a court of competent jurisdiction to enforce the terms of this Easement, to enjoin the violation, *ex parte* as necessary, by temporary or permanent injunction, and to require the restoration of the Property to the condition that existed prior to any such injury.
- D. If the Grantee, in its sole discretion, determines that circumstances require immediate action to prevent or mitigate significant damage to the conservation features of the Property, the Grantee may pursue its remedies under this Section, "Breach of Easement...", without prior notice to the Grantor or without waiting for the period provided for cure to expire.
- E. The Grantee shall be entitled to recover damages from the party directly or primarily responsible for violation of the provisions of this Easement or injury to any conservation features protected hereby, including, but not limited to, damages for the loss of scenic, aesthetic, or environmental attributes of the Property. Without limiting the Grantor's liability therefore, the Grantee, in its sole discretion, may apply any damages recovered to the cost of undertaking any corrective action on the Property.
- F. The Grantee's rights under this Section, "Breach of Easement...", apply equally in the event of either actual or threatened breach of this Easement, and are in addition to the provisions of the preceding Section, "Resolution of Disagreements," which section shall also apply to any disagreement that may arise with respect to activities undertaken in response to a notice of breach and the exercise of the Grantee's rights hereunder.
- G. The Grantor and the Grantee acknowledge and agree that should the Grantee determine, in its sole discretion, that the conservation features protected by this Easement are in immediate danger of irreparable harm, the Grantee may seek the injunctive relief described in the third paragraph of this Section, "Breach of Easement...", both prohibitive and mandatory, in addition to such other relief to which the Grantee may be entitled, including specific performance of the terms of this Easement, without the necessity of proving either actual damages or the inadequacy of otherwise available legal remedies. The Grantee's remedies described in this Section, "Breach of Easement...", shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to all remedies now or hereafter existing at

law or in equity.

- H. Provided that the Grantor is directly or primarily responsible for the breach, all reasonable costs incurred by the Grantee in enforcing the terms of this Easement against the Grantor, including, without limitation, staff and consultant costs, reasonable attorneys' fees and costs and expenses of suit, and any costs of restoration necessitated by the Grantor's breach of this Easement shall be borne by the Grantor; and provided further, however, that if the Grantor ultimately prevails in a judicial enforcement action each party shall bear its own costs. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Grantee initiates litigation against the Grantor to enforce this Conservation Easement, and if the court determines that the litigation was initiated without reasonable cause or in bad faith, then the court may require the Grantee to reimburse the Grantor's reasonable costs and reasonable attorney's fees in defending the action.
- I. Forbearance by the Grantee to exercise its rights under this Easement in the event of any breach of any term thereof by the Grantor shall not be deemed or construed to be a waiver by the Grantee of such term or of any subsequent breach of the same or any other term of this Easement or of any of the Grantee's rights hereunder. No delay or omission by the Grantee in the exercise of any right or remedy upon any breach by the Grantor shall impair such right or remedy or be construed as a waiver. The Grantor hereby waives any defense of laches or estoppel.
- J. Nothing contained in this Easement shall be construed to entitle the Grantee to bring any action against the Grantor for any injury to or change in the Property resulting from causes beyond the Grantor's control, including, but not limited to, unauthorized actions by third parties, natural disasters such as fire, flood, storm, disease, infestation and earth movement, or from any prudent action taken by the Grantor under emergency conditions to prevent, abate, or mitigate significant injury to the Property resulting from such causes. The Grantee and the Grantor reserve the right, separately or collectively, to pursue all legal and/or equitable remedies, as set forth in this Section, "Breach of Easement..." against any third party responsible for any actions inconsistent with the provisions of this Easement.

[9. EXECUTORY INTEREST

- A. If the Grantee ceases to enforce the Easement conveyed hereby or fails to enforce it within thirty (30) days after receipt of written notice from the _____, a qualified organization as specified in the Section "Benefits and Burdens" above (sometimes herein referred to as the "Executory Interest Holder"), requesting such enforcement delivered in hand or by certified mail, return receipt requested, then the Executory Interest Holder shall have the right to enforce this Easement. All reasonable costs of such enforcement shall be paid by the Grantee. In such circumstance, or in the event the Grantee acquires the underlying fee interest in the Property, the Executory Interest Holder shall then also have the right to terminate the Easement interest of the Grantee in the Property by recording a notice to that effect in the Registry of Deeds referring hereto and shall thereupon assume and thereafter have all interests, rights, responsibilities and duties granted to and incumbent upon the Grantee in this Easement.

- B. The interests held by the Executory Interest Holder are assignable or transferable to any party qualified to become the Grantee's assignee or transferee as specified in the Section "Benefits and Burdens" above. Any such assignee or transferee shall have like power of assignment or transfer.

10. NOTICES

All notices, requests and other communications, required to be given under this Easement shall be in writing, except as otherwise provided herein, and shall be delivered in hand or sent by certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested to the appropriate address set forth above or at such other address as the Grantor or the Grantee may hereafter designate by notice given in accordance herewith. Notice shall be deemed to have been given when so delivered or so mailed.

11. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Easement, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is found to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, by confirmation of an arbitration award or otherwise, the remainder of the provisions of this Easement or the application of such provision to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is found to be invalid, as the case may be, shall not be affected thereby.

12. EXTINGUISHMENT & CONDEMNATION

- A. **Extinguishment.** If circumstances arise in the future such as render the Purposes of this Easement impossible or impracticable to accomplish, this Easement can only be terminated or extinguished, whether in whole or in part, by judicial proceedings in a court of competent jurisdiction. The amount of the proceeds to which Grantee shall be entitled, after the satisfaction of prior claims, from any sale, exchange, or involuntary conversion of all or any portion of the Property subsequent to such judicial termination or extinguishment, shall be determined in accordance with Section 13.C. below. In making this grant of Easement, Grantor has considered and acknowledges the possibility that uses prohibited by the terms of this Easement may become more economically viable than the uses specifically reserved by Grantor pursuant to this Easement. It is the intent of both Grantor and Grantee that any such change in economic conditions shall not be deemed to be circumstances justifying the termination or extinguishment of this Easement pursuant to this Section.
- B. **Condemnation.** If all or any part of the Property is taken, in whole or in part, by exercise of the power of eminent domain or is acquired by purchase in lieu of condemnation, whether by public, corporate or other authority, so as to terminate this Easement, in whole or in part, Grantor and Grantee shall act jointly to recover the full value of their interests in the Property subject to the taking or in lieu purchase and to recover all direct or incidental damages resulting therefrom. All expenses reasonably incurred by Grantor and Grantee in connection with the taking or in lieu purchase shall be paid out of the amount

recovered. The amount of the proceeds to which the Grantee shall be entitled, after payment of any expenses, shall be determined in accordance with Section 13.C. below.

C. **Valuation.** This Easement constitutes a real property interest immediately vested in Grantee, which, for the purposes of Sections 13.A. and 13.B. above, shall have a fair market value which shall be determined as follows:

- (i) **If the Grantor claims a charitable contribution deduction,** that value determined by multiplying (1) the fair market value of the Property without deduction for the value of this Easement as of the time of said extinguishment or condemnation, by (2) the ratio of the value of the Easement at the time of this grant to the value of the Property at the time of this grant without deduction for the value of this Easement, those values being those used to calculate the deduction for federal income or estate tax purposes allowable by reason of this grant, pursuant to the IRS Code Section 170(h) or 2055(f), determined by an appraisal report which shall be prepared by a qualified appraiser on behalf of the Grantor and which the Grantor shall submit to the Grantee. For the purposes of this Section 13, the ratio of the value of the Easement to the value of the Property unencumbered by this Easement shall remain constant. Any increase in value attributable to improvements made after the effective date of this Easement shall accrue to such of the Grantor and Grantee that made the improvement(s).
- (ii) **If the Grantor does not claim a charitable contribution deduction,** that value determined by an appraisal prepared by a qualified appraiser as of the time of said extinguishment or condemnation.

The balance of the amount recovered under Section 13.A. or 13.B. above, after payment of any expenses, shall be divided between the Grantor and the Grantee in proportion to the value of their respective interests in that part of the Property extinguished or condemned as determined pursuant to this Section 13.C.(i) or (ii) as the case may be.

13. ADDITIONAL EASEMENT

Should the Grantor determine that the expressed Purposes of this Easement could better be effectuated by the conveyance of an additional easement, the Grantor may execute an additional instrument to that effect, provided that the conservation purposes of this Easement are not diminished thereby and that a public agency or qualified organization described in the Section "Benefits and Burdens," above, accepts and records the additional easement.

14. AMENDMENT

If, owing to unforeseen or changed circumstances, Grantor and Grantee agree that an amendment to, or modification of, this Easement would be appropriate and desirable, Grantor and Grantee may jointly amend this Easement pursuant to: the provisions and limitations of this section; the then-current amendment policies of the Grantee; notification is given to the New Hampshire Attorney General's Office at least thirty (30) days prior to the adoption of the amendment; and applicable state and federal law. Any amendment shall be consistent

with the Purposes of this Easement, and shall not impair the conservation attributes of the Property protected by this Easement. No amendment shall affect the qualification of this Easement or the status of the Grantee under any applicable laws, including Sections 170(h) and 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and NH RSA 477:45-47 as may be amended from time to time, nor shall any amendment affect the perpetual duration of this Easement. Any amendment shall be executed by the Grantor and the Grantee and shall be recorded in the Strafford County Registry of Deeds. Nothing in this paragraph shall require Grantor or Grantee to agree to any amendment or to consult or negotiate regarding any amendment.

The Grantee, by accepting and recording this Easement, agrees to be bound by and to observe and enforce the provisions hereof and assumes the rights and responsibilities herein granted to and incumbent upon the Grantee, all in the furtherance of the conservation purposes for which this Easement is delivered.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I (We) have hereunto set my (our) hand(s) this _____ day of _____, 200__.

Name of Grantor

Name of Grantor

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, ss.

On this _____ day of _____, 2005, before me personally appeared _____, known to me, or satisfactorily proven, to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he/she executed the same as his/her free act and deed for the purposes therein contained.

Notary Public/Justice of the Peace
My commission expires:

ACCEPTED: SOUTHEAST LAND TRUST OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

By: _____

Title: _____
Duly Authorized

Date: _____

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
COUNTY OF ROCKINGHAM, ss.

On this _____ day of _____, 2005, before me personally appeared _____, known to me, or satisfactorily proven, to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he/she executed the same as his/her free act and deed for the purposes therein contained.

Notary Public/Justice of the Peace
My commission expires:

APPENDIX A

The "Property" subject to this Easement is that tract of land with any and all structures and improvements thereon situated on Hook Mill Road, so-called, in the Town of Madbury, County of Strafford, State of New Hampshire, consisting of approximately 72.0 acres, shown on a plan entitled " _____," by _____, last revised _____, recorded at _____ at the County Registry of Deeds (hereafter "Plan"), and more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at _____ on the _____ side of Road, at the _____ corner of the Property, at land now or formerly of _____ ;

Thence proceeding a distance of _____ feet, more or less, along said _____ land to _____ at land now or formerly of _____ ;

Thence proceeding xxx a distance of xxx feet, more or less, along said xxx land to a _____ at land now or formerly of _____ ;

Thence the following courses and distances along said xxx land:

Thence xxx feet along the arc of a curve to the left/right having a radius of xxx feet to a _____ ;

to (point), which is on a tie course of (bearing) xxx feet from (point)

EXCEPTING AND RESERVING THEREFROM

SUBJECT TO

TOGETHER WITH

MEANING AND INTENDING to describe all and the same/a portion of the premises conveyed by Deed from _____, to _____, dated _____, recorded at said Registry at Book _____, Page _____.

[Not homestead property of the Grantor.]

Attachment B

Map of Land on which to Conservation Easement is to be Acquired

Olson Tree Farm MADBURY

Legend

-  Applicant Parcels
-  Bellamy Reservoir
-  Source Water Protection Areas
-  Town Boundaries



The coverages presented are under constant revision as new sites or facilities are added. They may not contain all of the potential or existing sites or facilities. NHDES is not responsible for the use or interpretation of this information. Not intended for legal purposes.

