



Lorraine S. Merrill, Commissioner

August 11, 2015

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Agriculture, Markets & Food to budget and expend \$86,381 from the Soil Conservation Fund for the purposes of funding anticipated deficits in the Fiscal Year 2016 budget effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval through June 30, 2016. **100% Agency Income.**

Funding to be budgeted as follows:

Soil Conservation 02-18-18-184510-28600000 Fiscal Year 2016						
Class	Account	Description	Current Budget	Requested Action	Adjusted Budget	
008	405368	Agency Income	\$533,210	\$86,381	\$619,591	
020	500200	Current Expenses	575		575	
070	500700	In State Travel Reimbursement	475		475	
073	500581	Grants Non Federal	502,867	76,381	579,248	
102	500731	Contracts for Program Services	28,043	10,000	38,043	
103	502507	Contracts for Op Services	1,250		1,250	
		Totals	\$533,210	\$86,381	\$619,591	

EXPLANATION

The Soil Conservation Fund was established pursuant to RSA 432:4, which authorized and empowered the Department to accept and receive all grants of money made, pursuant to the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, for the purpose of enabling the state to carry out the provisions of such plan. These additional funds will be used to pay for grants to various grantees performing conservation projects and program services. Without these funds, we will not be able to fulfill program requirements.

Respectfully submitted,

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FISCAL SITUATION - AUGUST 11, 2015 02-18-18-184510-28600000 – Soil Conservation Fund

Balance Forward – July 1, 2015	\$86,381
Estimated Revenue - FY 2016	98,500
General Funds Available – FY 2016	
Total Funds Available – FY 2016	\$187,181
Current Budget - FY 2016	\$ <u>100,800</u>
Funds in Excess of Budget	\$86,381
Amount Reserved if Appropriation Request is Approved	<u>\$0</u>
Additional Appropriation Request - FY 2016	<u>\$86,381</u>