



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT of NATURAL and CULTURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF FORESTS AND LANDS

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August 2, 2019

The Honorable Mary Jane Wallner, Chairman Fiscal Committee of the General Court State House Concord, New Hampshire 03301 and His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu and the Honorable Executive Council State House Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

1. Pursuant to RSA 9:16-c, I, authorize the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, Division of Forests and Lands (DNCR) to transfer funds in the total amount of \$17,527 in order to maximize the use of federal grant funds upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council approval through September 30, 2019. 100% Federal Funds

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		Fiscal Year 2020			
Class	Class Description	Account	Current Budget	Requested Change	Adjusted Budget
Revenue					
000	Federal Funds	400338	(\$17,536)		(\$17,536)
		Total:	(\$17,536)		(\$17,536)
Expense	•		_		
030	Equipment	500311	\$0	\$17,527	\$17,527
040	Indirect Costs	500800	\$1,154	(1,154)	\$0
041	Audit Fund Set Aside	500801	\$9	\$0	\$9
059	Temp Full Time	500117	\$9,823	(\$9,823)	\$0
060	Benefits	500602	\$6,550	(\$6,550)	\$0
		Total:	\$17,536	\$0	\$17,536

2. Further authorize DNCR to accept and expend \$34,316 from the USDA, Forest Service grant #14-DG-11420004-290 upon Governor and Executive Council approval through September 30, 2019. 100% Federal Funds

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Class	Class Description	Account	Current Budget	Requested Change	Adjusted Budget
Revenue					-
000	Federal Funds	400338 *	(\$17,536)	(\$34,316)	(\$51,852)
		Total:	(\$17,536)	(\$34,316)	(\$51,852)
Expense				· • -	
030	Equipment	500311	\$17,527	\$33,273	\$50,800
041	Audit Fund Set Aside	500801	\$9	\$43	\$52
048	Contractual Maintenance B&G	500226	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000
		Total:	\$17,536	\$34,316	\$51,852

EXPLANATION

The USDA Forest Service has granted DNCR permission to modify the existing federal grant and discontinue the existing MOA with the White Mountain National Forest (WMNF) under the Good Neighbor Authority, which allows for the expenditure of federal funds on state and private lands. Initially the MOA provided for a shared position that primarily focused on improving the impacts of timber harvests on water quality by reducing soil erosion and maintaining adequate protective buffers along stream channels. However, difficulty in retaining personnel in the shared full-time temporary position (#9T2791) has slowed the draw of the remaining federal funds and resulted in less than satisfactory accomplishments. As a result, DNCR and the WMNF examined alternative solutions to accomplish forest management work on federal and state lands. The modification will allow DNCR to use its portion of the remaining federal Water Quality Improvement grant to purchase two portable bridges to facilitate stream crossings for access to timber harvests on state lands in the North and Central Regions of the state in or adjacent to the watersheds defined in the grant.

The following appropriations are requested for Fiscal Year 2020:

Class 030 - Equipment \$50,800, for 2 portable bridges plus shipping;

Class 041 - Audit Fund Set Aside \$52, .1% to be paid to Department of Administrative Services as required; and

Class 048 - Contractual Maintenance Buildings & Grounds \$1,000, unloading of bridges upon delivery.

Since class 040 typically pays for the Statewide Cost Allocation Plan a/k/a SWCAP (based on revenues to the General Fund) and indirect costs (based on payroll wages) associated with the grant, the need for a class 040 is not necessary. This is because the requested budget transfer in action 1 eliminates class 059 (Temp Full Time) and the requested accept and expend in action 2 only has federal grants as revenue in FY 2020.

Listed below are answers to standard questions required of all Fiscal Committee item requests, related to RSA 9-:16-a, "Transfers authorized", RSA 14:30-a, VI, "Expenditure of funds over \$100,000 from any Non State Source", or RSA 124:15, "Positions Authorized", or both, and all emergency requests pursuant to "Chapter 145, subparagraph I, (a), Laws of 2019, making temporary appropriations for the expenses and encumbrances of the State of New Hampshire":

- 1. Is the action required of this request a result of the Continuing Resolution for FY 2020?

 No, this is not a result of the Continuing Resolution.
- 2. If this request is retroactive what is the significance and importance of the action being effective from an earlier date? This request is not retroactive at this time.

- 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 answers to this question.) No, funding for this program is requested as part of the Department's Operating Budget.
- 4. Was funding for the program included in the FY 2018-2019 enacted Budget or requested and denied? Yes, it was included in the FY 2018-2019 enacted Budget.
- 5. Is this program in total or in part, included in the vetoed FY 2020-2021 Operating Budget proposal currently pending for your department, or was it requested and denied? It is in total in the vetoed FY2020-2021 Operating Budget.
- 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, there are no positions funded from this account.
- 7. What would be the effect should this program be discontinued or not initiated as a result of this request being denied? The funds would be lost and because no other funds are available, DNCR would not be able to purchase the bridges.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Brad W. Simpkins

Director

Concurred,

Sarah L. Stewart
Commissioner

State of New Hampshire Department of Natural and Cultural Resources Division of Forests and Lands

03-035-035-351010-08550000 Water Quality Grant Fiscal Reconciliation

•	FY 2020
Total Federal Grant #14-DG-11420004-290	\$225,000
Grant Funds Expended as of 6/30/2019	(163,410)
Remaining Grant Funds Available	\$61,590
Less: Total Current Budget - 08550000	(17,536)
Less: Additional Budget Requested	(34,316)
Total Remaining Available Grant Funds	\$9,738



STATE OF NEW HAME DEPARTMENT of RESOURCES and ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION OF FORESTS AND LANDS

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August 29, 2014

Tony L. Ferguson, Area Director Northeastern Area State & Private Forestry United States Forest Service 11 Campus Boulevard, Suite 200 Newtown Square, PA 19073

Re: Award Acceptance

Dear Mr. Ferguson,

Enclosed is the signed Award Approval/Obligation/Acceptance form for the following grant:

FS-NRCS NH Drinking Water Improvement: \$150,000

Award Period: September 1, 2014 - August 30, 2016

Please call our office if you need further information or have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

Brad W. Simpkins, Interim Director

New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands

cc: Leslie Sherman, DRED Forest and Lands Brad Simpkins, DRED Forest and Lands





FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AWARD OF DOMESTIC GRANT 14-DG-11420004-290 Between The NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT And The

USDA, FOREST SERVICE NORTHEASTERN AREA STATE & PRIVATE FORESTRY

Project Title: FS-NRCS NH DRINKING WATER IMPROVEMENT

Upon execution of this document, an award to NH DRED, hereinafter referred to as "THE RECIPIENT," in the amount of \$150,000, is made under Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978, Public Law 95-313, as amended; Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990, as amended, Public Law 101-624. NH DRED accepts this award for the purpose described in the application narrative. Your application for Federal financial assistance, dated August 21, 2014, and the attached U.S. Forest Service provisions, 'U.S. Forest Service Award Provisions,' are incorporated into this letter and made a part of this award.

All required reporting must be sent to nagrants @fs.fed.us for internal recordkeeping and processing. Annual reports due for period ending December 31st of each year.

This is an award of Federal financial assistance and is subject to 7 CFR 3016 Uniform Administrative Requirements, 2 CFR 225 Cost Principles, and OMB Circular A-133 as implemented by USDA regulation 7 CFR 3052. All Federal and Recipient matching/cost-share contributions are subject to all relevant OMB Circulars and Code of Federal Regulations.

The OMB Circulars are available on the internet at http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/grants_default/. Electronic copies of the CFRs can be obtained at the following internet site: http://www.gpoaccess.gov/cfr/index.html. If you are unable to retrieve these regulations electronically, please contact your Grants and Agreements Office at 610-557-4131, Vickie M. Caldwell

Effective October 1, 2010, recipients are required to report information on subaward and executive total compensation, as required by the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (Pub. L. 109-282), as amended by section 6202 of Public Law 110-252, hereinafter referred to as "the Transparency Act." See the award terms in Attachment B: 2 CFR Part 170.

The following administrative provisions apply to this award:

A. <u>LEGAL AUTHORITY</u>. NH DRED shall have the legal authority to enter into this award, and the institutional, managerial, and financial capability to ensure proper planning, management, and completion of the project, which includes funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project costs, when applicable.



PRINCIPAL CONTACTS. Individuals listed below are authorized to act in their B. respective areas for matters related to this award.

Principal Cooperator Contacts:

Cooperator Program Contact	Cooperator Administrative Contact
Name: Brad Simpkins	Name: Leslie Sherman
Telephone: 603-271-2214	Telephone: 603-271-2214
Email: brad.simpkins@dred.state.nh.us	Email: leslie.sherman@dred.state.nh.us
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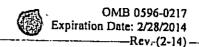
Principal U.S. Forest Service Contacts:

U.S. Forest Service Program Manager Contact	U.S. Forest Service Administrative Contact
Name: Karl Honkonen Telephone: 603-868-7616 Email: khonkonen@fs.fed.us	Name: Vickie M. Caldwell Telephone: 610-557-4131 Email: vcaldwell@fs.fed.us
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- SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT (SAM). NH DRED shall maintain current information in the System for Award Management (SAM) until receipt of final payment. This requires review and update to the information at least annually after the initial registration, and more frequently if required by changes in information or agreement term(s). For purposes of this agreement, System for Award Management (SAM) means the Federal repository into which an entity must provide information required for the conduct of business as a Cooperative. Additional information about registration procedures may be found at the SAM Internet site at www.sam.gov.
- REIMBURSABLE PAYMENTS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. See provision L in D. the attachment, 'U.S. Forest Service Award Provisions.'
- E. PROGRAMMATIC CHANGES. NH DRED shall obtain prior approval for any change to the scope or objectives of the approved project, key personnel, or transfer of substantive programmatic work to another party.







- F. MODIFICATIONS. Modifications within the scope of this award/agreement must be made by mutual consent of the parties, by the issuance of a written modification signed and dated by all properly authorized, signatory officials, prior to any changes being performed. Requests for modification should be made, in writing, at least 30 days prior to implementation of the requested change. The U.S. Forest Service is not obligated to fund any changes not properly approved in advance.
- G. <u>COMMENCEMENT/EXPIRATION DATE</u>. This award is executed as of the date of the last signature and is effective through August 30, 2016 at which time it will expire. The expiration date is the final date for completion of all work activities under this agreement.
- H. <u>AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES</u>. By signature below, each party certifies that the individuals listed in this document as representatives of the individual parties are authorized to act in their respective areas for matters related to this award/agreement. In witness whereof the parties hereto have executed this agreement as of the last date written below.

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BRAD SIMPKINS, Director Division of Forest and Lands	Date/
New Hampshire Department of Resources and	•
Economic Development	×
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Robert Witmer for	8/27/14
TONY L. FERGUSON, Area Director	Date
U.S. Forest Service, Northeastern Area State &	
Private Forestry	•

The authority and format of this agreement have been reviewed and approved for signature.

VICKIE M. CALDWELL

U.S. Forest Service Grants Management Specialist



ATTACHMENT A: U.S. FOREST SERVICE AWARD PROVISIONS

- A. <u>COLLABORATIVE ARRANGEMENTS</u>. Where permitted by terms of the award and Federal law, NH DRED a may enter into collaborative arrangements with other organizations to jointly carry out activities with U.S. Forest Service funds available under this award.
- B. <u>FOREST SERVICE LIABILITY TO THE RECIPIENT</u>. The United States shall not be liable to NH DRED for any costs, damages, claims, liabilities, and judgments that arise in connection with the performance of work under this award, including damage to any property owned by NH DRED or any third party.
- C. <u>NOTICES</u>. Any notice given by the U.S. Forest Service or NH DRED will be sufficient only if in writing and delivered in person, mailed, or transmitted electronically by e-mail or fax, as follows:

To the U.S. Forest Service Program Manager, at the address specified in the grant.

To NH DRED, at the address shown in the grant/agreement or such other address designated within the grant/agreement.

Notices will be effective when delivered in accordance with this provision, or on the effective date of the notice, whichever is later.

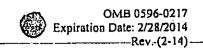
D. <u>SUBRECIPIENT NOTIFICATION</u> NH DRED shall notify Subrecipients under this award that they are subject to the terms and conditions herein, except with respect to NH DRED's OMB Uniform Administrative Requirements and Cost Principles. In the case of Subrecipient Uniform Administrative Requirements and Cost Principles, Subrecipients shall be notified that they are subject to the following:

	APPLICABLE ADMINIS REQUIREMENTS AND COS	STRATIVE T PRINCIPLES
SUBRECIPIENT TYPE	Administrative Requirements	Cost Principles
Non-profits	2 CFR 215	2 CFR 230
Local and Tribal governments (when Recipient is a State)	State & Federal laws, regulations	2 CFR 225
Local and Tribal governments (when Recipient is a non-State)	7 CFR 3016	2 CFR 225
State agencies	State & Federal laws, regulations	2 CFR 225
Universities	2 CFR 215	2 CFR 220
Profit-makers	2 CFR 215	48 CFR 31.2

- E. <u>USE OF U.S. FOREST SERVICE INSIGNIA</u>. In order for NH DRED to use the U.S. Forest Service insignia on any published media, such as a Web page, printed publication, or audiovisual production, permission must be granted by the U.S. Forest Service's Office of Communications (Washington Office). A written request will be submitted by U.S. Forest Service NORTHEASTERN AREA STATE & PRIVATE FORESTRY to the Office of Communications Assistant Director, Visual Information and Publishing Services prior to use of the insignia. The U.S. Forest Service NORTHEASTERN AREA STATE & PRIVATE FORESTRY will notify NH DRED when permission is granted.
- F. MEMBERS OF CONGRESS. Pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 22, no member of, or delegate to, Congress shall be admitted to any share or part of this agreement, or benefits that may arise therefrom, either directly or indirectly.

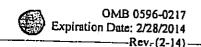
G. TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS.

- 1. Provisions applicable to a Recipient that is a private entity.
 - You as the Recipient, your employees, Subrecipients under this award, and Subrecipients' employees may not:
 - (1) Engage in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect;
 - (2) Procure a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in



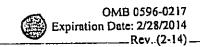
effect; or

- (3) Use forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.
- b. We as the Federal awarding agency may unilaterally terminate this award, without penalty, if you or a Subrecipient that is a private entity:
 - (1) Is determined to have violated a prohibition in paragraph a.1 of this award term; or
 - (2) Has an employee who is determined by the agency official authorized to terminate the award to have violated a prohibition in paragraph a.1 of this award term through conduct that is either:
 - i. Associated with performance under this award; or
 - ii. Imputed to you or the subrecipient using the standards and due process for imputing the conduct of an individual to an organization that are provided in 2 CFR part 180, "OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Government wide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement),"
- 2. Provision applicable to a Recipient other than a private entity. We as the Federal awarding agency may unilaterally terminate this award, without penalty, if a subrecipient that is a private entity:
 - a. Is determined to have violated an applicable prohibition in paragraph a.1 of this award term; or
 - b. Has an employee who is determined by the agency official authorized to terminate the award to have violated an applicable prohibition in paragraph a.1 of this award term through conduct that is either—
 - (1) Associated with performance under this award; or
 - (2) Imputed to the subrecipient using the standards and due process for imputing the conduct of an individual to an organization that are provided in 2 CFR part 180, "OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Nonprocurement),"
- 3. Provisions applicable to any recipient.
 - a. You must inform us immediately of any information you receive from any source alleging a violation of a prohibition in paragraph a.1 of this award term.



- b. Our right to terminate unilaterally that is described in paragraph a.2 or b of this section:
 - (1) Implements section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA), as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104(g)), and
 - (2) Is in addition to all other remedies for noncompliance that are available to us under this award.
- c. You must include the requirements of paragraph a.1 of this award term in any subaward you make to a private entity.
- 4. Definitions. For purposes of this award term:
 - a. "Employee" means either:
 - (1) An individual employed by you or a subrecipient who is engaged in the performance of the project or program under this award; or
 - (2) Another person engaged in the performance of the project or program under this award and not compensated by you including, but not limited to, a volunteer or individual whose services are contributed by a third party as an in-kind contribution toward cost sharing or matching requirements.
 - b. "Forced labor" means labor obtained by any of the following methods: the recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of force, fraud, or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.
 - c. "Private entity":
 - (1) Means any entity other than a State, local government, Indian tribe, or foreign public entity, as those terms are defined in 2 CFR 175.25.
 - (2) Includes:
 - A nonprofit organization, including any nonprofit institution of higher education, hospital, or tribal organization other than one included in the definition of Indian tribe at 2 CFR 175.25(b).
 - ii. A for-profit organization.
- d. "Severe forms of trafficking in persons," "commercial sex act," and "coercion" have the meanings given at section 103 of the TVPA, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7102).





H. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE.

- NH DRED agree(s) that it will publish a drug-free workplace statement and provide a copy to each employee who will be engaged in the performance of any project/program that receives federal funding. The statement must
 - a. Tell the employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in its workplace;
 - b. Specify the actions NH DRED will take against employees for violating that prohibition; and
 - c. Let each employee know that, as a condition of employment under any award, the employee:
 - (1) Shall abide by the terms of the statement, and
 - (2) Shall notify NH DRED in writing if they are convicted for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace, and shall do so no more than 5 calendar days after the conviction.
- 2. NH DRED agree(s) that it will establish an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employ ees about
 - a. The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
- . b. The established policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 - c. Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation and employee assistance programs; and
 - d. The penalties that you may impose upon them for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace.
- 3. Without the Program Manager's expressed written approval, the policy statement and program must be in place as soon as possible, no later than the 30 days after the effective date of this instrument, or the completion date of this award, whichever occurs first.
- 4. NH DRED agrees to immediately notify the Program Manager if an employee is convicted of a drug violation in the workplace. The notification must be in writing, identify the employee's position title, the award number of each award on which the employee worked. The notification must be sent to the Program Manager within 10 calendar days after NH DRED learns of the conviction.
- 5. Within 30 calendar days of learning about an employee's conviction, NH DRED



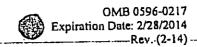
must either

- a. Take appropriate personnel action against the employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 USC 794), as amended, or
- b. Require the employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for these purposes by a Federal, State or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency.
- I. <u>ELIGIBLE WORKERS</u>. NH DRED shall ensure that all employees complete the I-9 form to certify that they are eligible for lawful employment under the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 USC 1324a). NH DRED shall comply with regulations regarding certification and retention of the completed forms. These requirements also apply to any contract or supplemental instruments awarded under this award.
- J. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES PAYMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (HHS PMS). NH DRED identified for use of this payment system shall designate a financial institution or an authorized payment agent through which a direct deposit may be made in accordance with current HHS PMS system requirements. The Albuquerque Service Center is responsible for soliciting initial enrollment in the HHS PMS. Any questions concerning payments should be addressed to the Albuquerque Service Center at (877) 372-7248. Please ask for the Grants and Agreements Payments section. Any subsequent changes to banking information are made by NH DRED through the HHS PMS. The HHS sub-account number(s) for this award is/are:

PROGRAM	HHS SUB ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	l
SPST/FNST0814	C1010360000	\$150,000	

- K. <u>FINANCIAL STATUS REPORTING</u>. A Federal Financial Report, form SF-425(and Federal Financial Report Attachment, SF-425A, if required for reporting multiple awards), must be submitted annually. These reports are due 90 days after the reporting period ending DECEMBER 31. The final SF-425 (and SF-425A, if applicable) must be submitted either with the final payment request or no later than 90 days from the expiration date of the award. These forms may be found at www.whitehouse.gov/omb/grants_forms.
- L. <u>REIMBURSABLE PAYMENTS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE</u>. REIMBURSABLE payments are approved under this award. Only costs for those project activities. approved in (1) the initial award, or (2) modifications thereto, are allowable.





M. AWARD CLOSEOUT. Within 90 days after expiration or notice of termination the parties shall close out the award/agreement.

Any unobligated balance of cash advanced to NH DRED must be immediately refunded to the U.S. Forest Service, including any interest earned in accordance with 7CFR 3016.21/2CFR 215.22.

Within a maximum of 90 days following the date of expiration or termination of this grant, all financial performance and related reports required by the terms of the agreement must be submitted to the U.S. Forest Service by NH DRED.

If this agreement is closed out without audit, the U.S. Forest Service reserves the right to disallow and recover an appropriate amount after fully considering any recommended disallowances resulting from an audit which may be conducted later.

N. <u>PROGRAM PERFORMANCE REPORTS.</u> The parties to this agreement shall monitor the performance of the grant activities to ensure that performance goals are being achieved.

Performance reports shall contain information on the following:

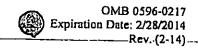
- A comparison of actual accomplishments to the goals established for the period. Where the output of the project can be readily expressed in numbers, a computation of the cost per unit of output, if applicable,
- Reason(s) for delay if established goals were not met.
- Additional pertinent information,

NH DRED shall submit annual performance reports. These reports are due 90 days after the reporting period ending DECEMBER 31.

The final performance report shall be submitted either with NH DRED's final payment request, or separately, but not later than 90 days from the expiration date of the grant.

- O. NOTIFICATION. NH DRED shall immediately notify the U.S. Forest Service of developments that have a significant impact on the activities supported under this award. Also, notification must be given in case of problems, delays or adverse conditions that materially impair the ability to meet the objectives of the award. This notification must include a statement of the action taken or contemplated, and any assistance needed to resolve the situation.
- P. <u>CHANGES IN KEY POSITIONS AND PERSONNEL</u>. Any revision to key positions and personnel identified in the application for this award require prior, written approval from the Forest Service Program Manager. All technical positions are considered Key





Personnel by the Forest Service. Failure on the part of NH DRED to obtain prior, written approval when required may result in the disallowance of costs.

Q. <u>FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA)</u>. Public access to award or agreement records must not be limited, except when such records must be kept confidential and would have been exempted from disclosure pursuant to Freedom of Information regulations (5 U.S.C. 552). Requests for research data are subject to 2 CFR 215.36.

Public access to culturally sensitive data and information of Federally-recognized Tribes may also be explicitly limited by P.L. 110-234, Title VIII Subtitle B §8106 (2009 Farm Bill).

- R. TEXT MESSAGING WHILE DRIVING. In accordance with Executive Order (EO) 13513, "Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging While Driving," any and all text messaging by Federal employees is banned: a) while driving a Government owned vehicle (GOV) or driving a privately owned vehicle (POV) while on official Government business; or b) using any electronic equipment supplied by the Government when driving any vehicle at any time. All Cooperatives, their Employees, Volunteers, and Contractors are encouraged to adopt and enforce policies that ban text messaging when driving company owned, leased or rented vehicles, POVs or GOVs when driving while on official Government business or when performing any work for or on behalf of the Government.
- S. <u>USE OF GOVERNMENT OWNED VEHICLE</u>. U.S. Forest Service vehicles may be used for official U.S. Forest Service business only in accordance with FSH 7109.19, ch. 60, the requirements established by the region in which performance of this award takes place, and the terms of this award.
- T. <u>U.S. FOREST SERVICE ACKNOWLEDGED IN PUBLICATIONS</u>,

 <u>AUDIOVISUALS</u>, <u>AND ELECTRONIC MEDIA</u>. NH DRED shall acknowledge U.S. Forest Service support in any publications, audiovisuals, and electronic media developed as a result of this award.
- U. <u>NONDISCRIMINATION STATEMENT PRINTED, ELECTRONIC, OR</u>
 <u>AUDIOVISUAL MATERIAL</u>. NH DRED shall include the following statement, in full, in any printed, audiovisual material, or electronic media for public distribution developed or printed with any Federal funding.



In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. (Not all prohibited bases apply to all programs.)

To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, Room 326-W, Whitten Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-9410 or call (202) 720-5964 (voice and TDD). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

If the material is too small to permit the full statement to be included, the material must, at minimum, include the following statement, in print size no smaller than the text:

"This institution is an equal opportunity provider."

- V. <u>TERMINATION BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT</u>. This award may be terminated, in whole or part, as follows:
 - When the U.S. Forest Service and NH DRED agree upon the termination conditions, including the effective date and, in the case of partial termination, the portion to be terminated.
 - By 30 days written notification by NH DRED to the U.S. Forest Service setting forth the reasons for termination, effective date, and in the case of partial termination, the portion to be terminated.

If, in the case of a partial termination, the U.S. Forest Service determines that the remaining portion of the award will not accomplish the purposes for which the award was made, the U.S. Forest Service may terminate the award in its entirety.

Upon termination of an award, NH DRED shall not incur any new obligations for the terminated portion of the award after the effective date, and shall cancel as many outstanding obligations as possible. The U.S. Forest Service shall allow full credit to NH DRED for the United States Federal share of the non-cancelable obligations properly incurred by NH DRED up to the effective date of the termination. Excess funds shall be refunded within 60 days after the effective date of termination.



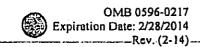
W. DISPUTES.

- 1. Any dispute under this award shall be decided by the AREA DIRECTOR. The AREA DIRECTOR shall furnish NH DRED a written copy of the decision.
- 2. Decisions of the AREA DIRECTOR shall be final unless, within 30 days of receipt of the decision of the AREA DIRECTOR, NH DRED appeal(s) the decision to the U.S. Forest Service's Director, Acquisition Management (AQM). Any appeal made under this provision shall be in writing and addressed to the Director, AQM, USDA, Forest Service, Washington, DC 20024. A copy of the appeal shall be concurrently furnished to the AREA DIRECTOR.
- 3. In order to facilitate review on the record by the Director, AQM, NH DRED shall be given an opportunity to submit written evidence in support of its appeal. No hearing will be provided.
- 4. A decision under this provision by the Director, AQM is final
- 5. The final decision by the Director, AQM does not preclude NH DRED from pursuing remedies available under the law.
- X. <u>DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION</u>. NH DRED shall immediately inform the U.S. Forest Service if they or any of their principals are presently excluded, debarred, or suspended from entering into covered transactions with the federal government according to the terms of 2 CFR Part 180. Additionally, should NH DRED or any of their principals receive a transmittal letter or other official federal notice of debarment or suspension, then they shall notify the U.S. Forest Service without undue delay. This applies whether the exclusion, debarment, or suspension is voluntary or involuntary.
- Y. <u>COPYRIGHTING</u>. NH DRED is/are granted sole and exclusive right to copyright any publications developed as a result of this agreement. This includes the right to publish and vend throughout the world in any language and in all media and forms, in whole or in part, for the full term of copyright and all renewals thereof in accordance with this award.

No original text or graphics produced and submitted by the U.S. Forest Service shall be copyrighted. The U.S. Forest Service reserves a royalty-free, nonexclusive, and irrevocable right to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use, and to authorize others to use the work for federal government purposes. This right shall be transferred to any subawards, sub-agreements or subcontracts.

This provision includes:

- The copyright in any work developed by NH DRED under this award.
- Any right of copyright to which NH DRED purchase(s) ownership with any federal contributions.



Z. SYSTEM FOR AWARD MANAGEMENT REGISTRATION AND UNIVERSAL IDENTIFIER REQUIREMENTS

- Requirement for System for Award Management Registration (SAM formerly Central Contractor Registration or CCR):
 NH DRED shall maintain the currency of information in the SAM until submission of the final financial report required under this award or receipt of the final payment, whichever is later. This requires that a review and update of the information at least annually after the initial registration, and more frequently if required by changes in information or another award term.
- 2. Requirement for Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) Numbers: If authorized to make subawards under this award:
 - a. NH DRED must notify potential Subrecipients that no entity (see definition in paragraph C of this award term) may receive a subaward unless the entity has provided its DUNS number to you.
 - b. NH DRED may not make a subaward to an entity unless the entity has provided its DUNS number.

3. Definitions:

For purposes of this award term:

- a. System for Award Management Registration (SAM) means the Federal repository into which an entity must provide information required for the conduct of business as a Recipient. Additional information about registration procedures may be found at the SAM Internet site (currently at https://www.sam.gov).
- b. Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number means the nine-digit number established and assigned by Dun and Bradstreet, Inc. (D&B) to uniquely identify business entities. A DUNS number may be obtained from D&B by telephone (currently 866-705-5711) or the Internet (currently at http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform).
- c. Entity, as it is used in this award term, means all of the following, as defined at 2 CFR part 25, subpart C:
 - i. A Governmental organization, which is a State, local government, or Indian Tribe;
 - ii. A foreign public entity;
 - iii. A domestic or foreign nonprofit organization;
 - iv. A domestic or foreign for-profit organization; and
 - v. A Federal agency, but only as a subrecipient under an award or subaward to a non-Federal entity.

4. Subaward:

a. This term means a legal agreement to provide support for the performance of any portion of the substantive project or program covered by this award and that are subsequently awarded to an eligible Subrecipient.



- b. The term does not include procurement of property and services needed to carry out the project or program (for further explanation, see Sec. 11.210 of the attachment to OMB Circular A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations").
- c. A subaward may be provided through any legal agreement, including an agreement that may be considered a contract.

5. Subrecipient:

a. Receives a subaward under this award;

b. Is accountable to the recipient for the use of the Federal funds provided by the subaward.

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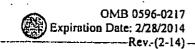
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ATTACHMENT B: 2 CFR PART 170

Appendix A to Part 170—Award Term .

- I. Reporting Subawards and Executive Compensation.
 - a. Reporting of first-tier subawards.
 - 1. Applicability. Unless you are exempt as provided in paragraph d. of this award term, you must report each action that obligates \$25,000 or more in Federal funds that does not include Recovery funds (as defined in section 1512(a)(2) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Pub. L. 111-5) for a subaward to an entity (see definitions in paragraph e. of this award term).
 - 2. Where and when to report.
 - i. You must report each obligating action described in paragraph a.1. of this award term to http://www.fsrs.gov.
 - ii. For subaward information, report no later than the end of the month following the month in which the obligation was made. (For example, if the obligation was made on November 7, 2010, the obligation must be reported by no later than December 31, 2010.)
 - 3. What to report. You must report the information about each obligating action that the submission instructions posted at http://www.fsrs.gov specify.
 - b. Reporting Total Compensation of Recipient Executives.
 - 1. Applicability and what to report. You must report total compensation for each of your five most highly compensated executives for the preceding completed fiscal year, if
 - i. the total Federal funding authorized to date under this award is \$25,000 or more;
 - ii. in the preceding fiscal year, you received-
 - (A) 80 percent or more of your annual gross revenues from Federal procurement contracts (and subcontracts) and Federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act, as defined at 2 CFR 170.320 (and subawards); and
 - (B) \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from Federal procurement contracts (and subcontracts) and Federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act, as defined at 2 CFR 170.320 (and subawards); and
 - iii. The public does not have access to information about the compensation of the executives through periodic reports filed under section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(a), 78o(d)) or section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. (To determine if the public has access to the compensation information, see the U.S. Security and Exchange Commission total compensation filings at http://www.sec.gov/answers/execomp.htm.)
 - 2. Where and when to report. You must report executive total compensation described in paragraph b.1. of this award term:
 - i. As part of your registration profile at http://www.sam.gov.
 - ii. By the end of the month following the month in which this award is made, and annually thereafter.





c. Reporting of Total Compensation of Subrecipient Executives.

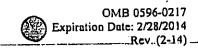
- 1 Applicability and what to report. Unless you are exempt as provided in paragraph d. of this award term, for each first-tier subrecipient under this award, you shall report the names and total compensation of each of the subrecipient's five most highly compensated executives for the subrecipient's preceding completed fiscal year, if—
 - in the subrecipient's preceding fiscal year, the subrecipient received—

 (A) 80 percent or more of its annual gross revenues from Federal procurement contracts (and subcontracts) and Federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act, as defined at 2 CFR 170.320 (and subawards); and

(B) \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from Federal procurement contracts (and subcontracts), and Federal financial assistance subject to the Transparency Act (and subawards); and

- ii. The public does not have access to information about the compensation of the executives through periodic reports filed under section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m(a), 78o(d)) or section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. (To determine if the public has access to the compensation information, see the U.S. Security and Exchange Commission total compensation filings at http://www.sec.gov/answers/execomp.htm.)
- 2. Where and when to report. You must report subrecipient executive total compensation described in paragraph c.1. of this award term:
 - i. To the recipient.
 - ii. By the end of the month following the month during which you make the subaward. For example, if a subaward is obligated on any date during the month of October of a given year (i.e., between October 1 and 31), you must report any required compensation information of the subrecipient by November 30 of that year.
- d. Exemptions If, in the previous tax year, you had gross income, from all sources, under \$300,000, you are exempt from the requirements to report:
- 1. Subawards, and
- 2. The total compensation of the five most highly compensated executives of any subrecipient.
- e. Definitions. For purposes of this award term:
- 1. Entity means all of the following, as defined in 2 CFR part 25:
 - i. A Governmental organization, which is a State, local government, or Indian tribe;
 - ii. A foreign public entity;
 - iii. A domestic or foreign nonprofit organization;
 - iv. A domestic or foreign for-profit organization;
 - v. A Federal agency, but only as a subrecipient under an award or subaward to a non-Federal entity.
- 2. Executive means officers, managing partners, or any other employees in management positions.
- 3. Subaward:





i. This term means a legal agreement to provide support for the performance of any portion of the substantive project or program for which you received this award and that you as the recipient award to an eligible subrecipient.

ii. The term does not include your procurement of property and services needed to carry out the project or program (for further explanation, see Sec. ll .210 of the attachment to OMB Circular A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations").

· iii. A subaward may be provided through any legal agreement, including an agreement that you or a subrecipient considers a contract.

4. Subrecipient means an entity that:

i. Receives a subaward from you (the recipient) under this award; and

ii. Is accountable to you for the use of the Federal funds provided by the subaward.

5. Total compensation means the cash and noncash dollar value earned by the executive during the recipient's or subrecipient's preceding fiscal year and includes the following (for more information see 17 CFR 229.402(c)(2)):

i. Salary and bonus.

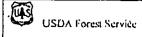
- ii. Awards of stock, stock options, and stock appreciation rights. Use the dollar amount recognized for financial statement reporting purposes with respect to the fiscal year in accordance with the Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 123 (Revised 2004) (FAS 123R), Shared Based Payments.
- iii. Earnings for services under non-equity incentive plans. This does not include group life, health, hospitalization or medical reimbursement plans

that do not discriminate in favor of executives, and are available generally. to all salaried employees.

iv. Change in pension value. This is the change in present value of defined benefit and actuarial pension plans.

v. Above-market earnings on deferred compensation which is not taxqualified. vi. Other compensation, if the aggregate value of all such other compensation (e.g. severance, termination payments, value of life insurance paid on behalf of the employee, perquisites or property) for the executive exceeds \$10,000.

END OF ATTACHMENT B: 2 CFR PART 170.



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This modification is subject to the OMB guidance in subparts A through F of 2 CFR Part 200 as adopted and supplemented by the USDA in 2 CFR Part 400. Adoption by USDA of the OMB guidance in 2 CFR 400 gives regulatory effect to the OMB guidance in 2 CFR 200 where full text may be found.

Robert Clark, Group Leader, approves the additional funding to this modification.

Additional funding in the amount of \$75,000 is made under the authority of the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978, as amended, 16 U.S.C 2101-2114, for the above project and accepted for the purposes described in the attached narrative. The Application for Federal Assistance dated July 31, 2015, submitted by you is incorporated and made part of the original award. By acceptance of this supplemental award, the grantee agrees to comply with the applicable Federal requirements for agreements and to the prudent management of all expenditures and actions affecting the award as outlined in the original award documents.

A pen/ink change was made on the SF-424a - blocks #1 & #8 to reflect the correct CFDA Title - Cooperative Forestry Assistance - 10.664.

Except as set forth above, all other terms and conditions of the agreement shall remain the same, unchanged, and in full force and effect.

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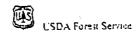
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