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February 6, 2014

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorization is requested for the Department of Resources and Economic Development, Division of Forests and Lands to accept and expend \$36,751 of federal funds from the Consolidated Payment Grants #11-DG-11420004-184 and #12-DG-11420004-172 for maintaining and enhancing the State Fire Assistance Program, upon Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2014. 100% Federal Funds

Funds to be budgeted in account titled, State Fire Assistance - II, as follows:

Class-Account Number		03-35-35-351010-35290000 STATE FIRE ASSISTANCE - II		
		FY 14 Current Budget	Requested Action	FY 14 Revised Budget
000-404549	Federal Funds	(\$315,062)	(\$36,751)	(\$351,813)
018-500106	Overtime	15,000	0	15,000
020-500200	Current Expenses	20,000	0	20,000
029-500290	Intra-Agency Transfers	145,000	0	145,000
030-500310	Equipment – New Replacement	3,000	7,920	10,920
039-500188	Telecommunications	3,000	0	3,000
040-500800	Indirect Costs	13,550	1,545	15,095
041-500801	Audit Fund Set Aside	310	42	352
042-500620	Additional Fringe Benefits	5,800	0	5,800
050-500109	Personal Service Temporary	5,000	0	5,000
059-500117	Temp Full Time	55,000	0	55,000
060-500611	Benefits	30,062	0	30,062
072-502643	Grants –Federal	5,340	27,244	32,584
080-500710	Out of State Travel	4,000	0	4,000
103-502673	Contracts for OP Services	10,000	0	10,000
	Total	\$315,062	\$36,751	\$351,813



EXPLANATION

The State Fire Assistance (SFA) program is administered by the U.S. Forest Service, State and Private Forestry program. It provides funding to the States for the purposes of wildland fire prevention, planning, training, detection, and suppression. New Hampshire has participated in this program (or its predecessor) since 1911. These additional funds will be used by the division for replenishing the regional fire tool and supply caches, replacing equipment for forest rangers, and purchasing wildfire prevention materials in preparation for the upcoming fire season.

These federal funds have been approved as part of the Department of Resources and Economic Development, Consolidated Payment Grants #11-DG-1142004-184 and #12-DG-11420004-172.

The following appropriations are requested for Fiscal Year 2014:

Class 030 Equipment \$7,920, amount needed for replacement Global Positioning System (GPS) devices and (1) one all-terrain vehicle;

Class 040 Indirect Costs \$1,545, amount needed to cover indirect costs percentage (.0478);

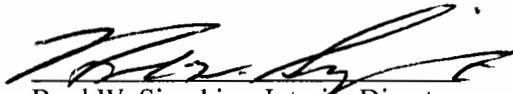
Class 041 Audit Fund Set Aside \$42, amount needed to cover audit fund set aside percentage (.001); and

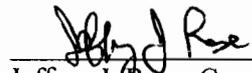
Class 072 Grants Federal \$27,244, amount needed for replacement fire suppression tools, supplies, first aid kits, and fire prevention materials.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Concurred,


Brad W. Simpkins, Interim Director


Jeffrey J. Rose, Commissioner

FISCAL SITUATION
STATE FIRE ASSISTANCE
35290000

	July 1, 2013 BALANCE
FEDERAL GRANT FFY 11: 11-DG-11420004-184	\$344,863
FEDERAL GRANT FFY 12: 12-DG-11420004-172	<u>\$280,234</u>
TOTAL FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$625,097
CURRENT BUDGET SFY 2014	<u>(\$315,062)</u>
FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS IN EXCESS OF BUDGET	\$310,035
FUNDS RESERVED FOR FUTURE PERIODS	<u>(\$273,284)</u>
ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST	\$ 36,751

**FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
AWARD OF DOMESTIC GRANT 11-DG-11420004-184
Between The
NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES AND ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT
And The
USDA, FOREST SERVICE
NORTHEASTERN AREA, STATE AND PRIVATE FORESTRY**

Project Title: Consolidated Payment Grant

Upon execution of this document, an award to the New Hampshire Department of Resources and Economic Development, hereinafter referred to as "The Recipient," in the amount of \$763,803, is made under Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978, Public Law 95-313, as amended, 16 U.S.C. 2101-2114. The New Hampshire Department of Resources and Economic Development accepts this award for the purpose described in the application narrative. Your application for Federal financial assistance, dated July 14, 2011, 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.

A copy of the SF424 with pen and ink change to Block 13. Proposed Project, Start Date to reflect October 1, 2010 is included for your files.

This is an award of Federal financial assistance and is subject to OMB Circular A-102, as implemented by regulations 7 CFR 3016, 2 CFR 225, 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 610-557-4148, Joanne M. Fuss.

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. **LEGAL AUTHORITY.** "The Recipient" 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 nonfederal share of project costs, when applicable.



**FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
AWARD OF DOMESTIC GRANT 12-DG-11420004-172
Between The
NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES AND ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT
And The
USDA, FOREST SERVICE
NORTHEASTERN AREA STATE AND PRIVATE FORESTRY UNDER
USDA FOREST SERVICE**

Project Title: Consolidated Payment Grant

Upon execution of this document, an award to NH DRED, hereinafter referred to as "The Recipient," in the amount of \$648,194, 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.. The Recipient accepts this award for the purpose described in the application narrative. Your application for Federal financial assistance, dated June 1, 2012, 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.

A pen/ink change has been made to block #16 as requested in the attached email dated June 20, 12 to reflect the date the application was made available to the state Executive Order 12372.

This is an award of Federal financial assistance and is subject to OMB Circular A-102, as implemented by regulations 7 CFR 3016, 2 CFR 225, 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.

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