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# New Hampshire Fish and Game Department

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January 22, 2014

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

## REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 4:8, authorize the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department (NHFG) to accept a donation of 7.4 +/- acres in Stratham, New Hampshire, from George E. Gowen.

## EXPLANATION

NHFG is seeking authority to accept a donation from George E. Gowen of 7.4 +/- acres in Stratham along the Squamscott River. The property consists of two parcels of salt marsh that are private in-holdings in the Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve Wildlife Management Area. The New Hampshire Fish and Game Commission voted to accept this donation at their December 11, 2013, meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Normandeau  
Executive Director

Kathy Ann LaBonte  
Chief, Business Division

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**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**Inter-Department Communication**

DATE: January 8, 2014

FROM: Evan J. Mulholland  
Assistant Attorney General

AT (OFFICE) Department of Justice  
Environmental Protection Bureau

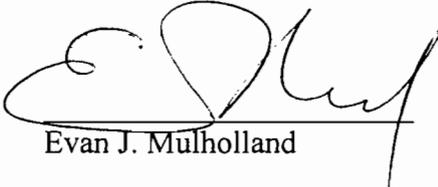
SUBJECT: George Gowen Warranty Deed

TO: Richard Cook, Land Agent  
Fish & Game Department

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I have reviewed and I approve for form and substance the warranty deed to the State from George Gowen for 7.3 acres of salt marsh in Stratham.

I will approve the deed for execution once it is signed.



Evan J. Mulholland

***NEW HAMPSHIRE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION AGENDA FORM***

**COMMISSION MEETING DATE: December 11, 2013**

**ACTION ITEM   X        INFORMATION ITEM**

**ACTION ITEM – APPROVED**

1. Authorize the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department to accept the donation of 7.3 acres of saltmarsh in Stratham, NH.

**EXPLANATORY INFORMATION:**

A family has approached the NHFG Department with the intention of donating two parcels that total 7.3 acres of saltmarsh near Chapman's Landing in Stratham, NH. These two parcels are both surrounded by land that is conserved by NHFG.

**Staff Person Presenting Item:**

Cory Riley  
Region 3  
Great Bay NERR, Manager

WARRANTY DEED

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS George E. Gowen and Mary Gowen, as joint tenants with rights of survivorship with warranty covenants, with a mailing address of 8 Dearborn Road, Greenland, New Hampshire 03840 hereinafter called the "Grantors, for consideration paid, grants to THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE acting by and through its FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT, with an address of 11 Hazen Drive, Concord, State of New Hampshire 03301 (the State), the following:

Two certain tracts or parcels of land located in the Town of Stratham, County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire on the easterly side of Route 108 within the salt marsh associated with the Squamscott River, identified as Town of Stratham Tax Map 20 Lot 12 and Tax Map 21, Lot 2.

Meaning and intending to convey a portion of the same premises described in the deed of R. Howard Gowen, G. Arthur Gowen and Benjamin F. Gowen to George E. Gowen and Mary Gowen, recorded in the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds July 29, 1957, Book 1439, Page 343.

GRANTORS:

George E. Gowen  
George E. Gowen

deceased 12/12/2013  
Mary Gowen

STATE OF NH  
COUNTY OF Rockingham

I, hereby certify that George E. Gowen, personally appeared before me on this 30 day of December, 2013 (known to me or satisfactorily proven) to be the person described in the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same in the capacity therein stated and for the purpose therein contained.

Stacy McCormick  
Notary Public/Justice of the Peace  
My Commission Expires: My Commission Expires April 27, 2016

ACCEPTED: STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, FISH & GAME DEPARTMENT

The State of New Hampshire, acting through its Fish and Game Department on this day \_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Glenn Normandeau, Executive Director

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
COUNTY OF MERRIMACK

Personally appeared before me on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014, Glenn Normandeau, who acknowledges himself to be the Executive Director for the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department, and as such is duly authorized to executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained, by signing his name on behalf of the State of New Hampshire.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public/Justice of the Peace  
My Commission Expires:

Approved as to form, substance, and execution on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Evan Mulholland  
Assistant Attorney General

Approved by the Governor and Executive Council: Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Item#: \_\_\_\_\_

**AGREEMENT**  
**between**  
**NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT**  
**and**  
**GEORGE E. GOWEN**

THIS AGREEMENT entered into this 5 day of Dec., 2013 between the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department with an address of 11 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH, 03301, hereinafter called the "STATE", acting by and through its Executive Director and George E. Gowen with a mailing address of 3 Deering Rd Greenland hereinafter called the "GRANTOR".

WITNESSETH, the GRANTOR hereby agrees to donate to the STATE fee title to two parcels of land in the Town of Stratham, County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire, identified as Tax Map 20 Lot 12 and Map 21, Lot 2

The STATE shall have the right to terminate this agreement at any time it deems appropriate as the result of information ascertained during title work, and/or the hazardous waste assessment, which would render the parcel unacceptable for the purposes intended herein.

GRANTOR shall convey fee title to the STATE free and clear of all liens, rights of dower or other encumbrances (unless herein otherwise specified) by a good and sufficient deed of conveyance, in the usual form of warranty deed, except that if the GRANTOR conveys as executor, trustee, administrator or guardian, or in any trust capacity, the usual deed given in such cases shall be accepted. Said conveyance shall also be made subject to all restrictions, easements and conditions of record, if any.

Transfer of property shall be delivered at a date mutually agreed upon by the parties hereto with said date occurring on or before April 30, 2014.

Acquisition shall be accomplished in accordance with RSA 212:7 and New Hampshire Fish and Game Department Land Acquisition Policy and Procedures and is subject to approval by the Fish and Game Commission and the Governor and Executive Council.

This AGREEMENT is binding on GRANTOR, heirs, successors, or assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Agreement has been duly authorized by the parties hereto as of the date first above written.

This document has been executed in duplicate

John M Bishop  
Witness

Joanne Boynton POA for George E Gowen  
Joanne Boynton as Power of Attorney for  
George E. Gowen

Janya L Haskeel  
Witness

Glenn Normandeau  
Glenn Normandeau  
Executive Director  
State of New Hampshire  
Fish and Game Department

CERTIFICATION OF VITAL RECORD

State of New Hampshire

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

FILE # 2013010147

FULL NAME OF DECEASED MARY LOUISE BRACKETT GOWEN
DATE OF DEATH DECEMBER 12, 2013
DATE OF BIRTH NOVEMBER 27, 1918
AGE 95 YRS SEX FEMALE
MOTHER'S/PARENT'S NAME BLANCHE BRACKETT (BROWNELL)
FATHER'S/PARENT'S NAME THOMAS JAMES BRACKETT
BIRTHPLACE GREENLAND, NEW HAMPSHIRE
PLACE OF DEATH GREENLAND, NEW HAMPSHIRE
DOMESTIC STATUS MARRIED
SPOUSE'S/PARTNER'S NAME PRIOR TO FIRST MARRIAGE/CIVIL UNION GEORGE E GOWEN
SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER 001-36-3706
RESIDENCE GREENLAND, NEW HAMPSHIRE
PLACE OF DISPOSITION PROSPECT HILL CEM, GREENL, GREENLAND, NEW HAMPSHIRE
DATE OF DISPOSITION DECEMBER 17, 2013
MANNER OF DEATH NATURAL
FILE DATE DECEMBER 15, 2013
CAUSE OF DEATH AORTIC STENOSIS (SEVERE)
APPROX INTERVAL:ONSET TO DEATH YEARS

OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE

DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED

DATE/TIME OF INJURY
PLACE OF INJURY
LOCATION OF INJURY
NAME AND ADDRESS OF CERTIFIER KRISTIN VAUGHAN DO, EXETER FAMILY MEDICINE, EXETER, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03833

MARGINAL NOTES

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THIS IS A TRUE COPY ISSUED FROM THE OFFICIAL RECORDS ON FILE AT THIS OFFICE AND SHALL BE RECEIVED AS EVIDENCE WITH THE SAME EFFECT AS THE ORIGINAL.

SIGNATURE: Kevin J. Barnaby STATE/LOCAL REGISTRAR
STEPHEN M. WURTZ, State Registrar

DATE ISSUED: December 16, 2013 STATE/CITY/TOWN OF: PORTSMOUTH
This copy not valid unless prepared on engraved border displaying seal and signature of State Registrar. It shall be unlawful for anyone to reproduce this certificate other than local or State Registrar.

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Gowen Donation



# NEW HAMPSHIRE FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

## DECEMBER 11, 2013 COMMISSION MEETING

Meeting Location: NH Fish & Game Department, 11 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH 03301

Commissioners Present: R. Phillipson, J. Ryan, J. McGonagle, V. Greco, W. Morse, D. Patch, T. Hubert, S. Guaraldi, T. Tichy, R. Blake and F. Clews.

Commissioners absent/excused:

Executive Director Normandeau – Present

Chairman Hubert called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m., and asked the audience to join in the pledge of allegiance. He informed the audience that the public is entitled to attend all Commission meetings and when recognized by the chairman, the public may speak on any item on the agenda. The Chair reserves the right to limit comment to the extent necessary for the orderly conduct of the meeting.

### ACTION ITEMS:

1a.) Commissioner Greco moved to approve the October 9, 2013 Commission Minutes, with an amendment to strike the last sentence on page 4, and Commissioner Guaraldi seconded. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

2.) Consent Agenda - The following items were grouped together and were hereby noticed as consent agenda items to expedite action on routine matters, which may not require public discussion. The Commission voted to approve these matters as presented. Commission members may remove certain items if further public input or discussion is deemed necessary.

Commissioner Guaraldi moved to accept the below consent agenda items 2a-2d as presented and Commissioner Phillipson seconded. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

2a.) Commission approved 2 donations from the Lakeview Neurorehabilitation Center, totaling \$1,266.59, for assistance received in locating two patients in the month of July, to be deposited into the Search & Rescue Account.

2b.) Commission approved to accept a donation from Liz Armstrong, North Andover, Massachusetts, in the amount of \$2,500.00, for assistance received on the Signal Ridge Trail, to be deposited into the Search & Rescue Account.

2c.) Commission approved to accept a donation from Nichole Gammans, New Ipswich, New Hampshire, for assistance received on the Falling Waters Trail, to be deposited into the Search & Rescue Account.

2d.) Commission approved to accept the following memorial donations in memory of Gregory Eaton of Sandown, New Hampshire, to be utilized by the "Let's Go Fishing" Program:

Marilyn & Stuart Mill, Manchester, NH -	\$25.00
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Hannaford Food & Drug #305, Bedford, NH -	\$75.00
Denise & Gary Muese, Chelmsford, MA -	\$50.00
James & Maureen Devine, Sandown, NH -	\$100.00
Hannaford Brothers District 7, Londonderry, NH -	\$100.00
Robert & Marcella Laliberte, Sebago, ME -	\$25.00
Daniel Donnellan, Epping, NH -	\$25.00
John & Carol Hadcock, Londonderry, NH -	<u>\$50.00</u>
	Total: \$450.00

3.) Commissioner Guaraldi moved to accept a \$250.00 donation in memory of from Joseph Conklin, from Richard Hutchins, Jr., to be utilized by the Inland Fisheries Division, and Commissioner Blake seconded. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

4.) Commissioner Phillipson moved to expend \$10,575.00 from the Fisheries Habitat Account to cover the cost of the FY'14 dam registration fees assessed by the Department of Environmental Services and Commissioner Greco seconded. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

5.) Commissioner Blake moved to accept the donation of 7.3 acres of saltmarsh near Chapman's Landing in Stratham, New Hampshire, and Commissioner Clews seconded. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

**LATE ACTION ITEM:**

1.) Commissioner Blake moved to accept the donation of \$2,000 from the Laconia Rotary Club, to be utilized for landlocked salmon management and Commissioner Patch seconded. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

1.) Kathy LaBonte, Chief, Business Division, presented the monthly financial statement dated November 30, 2013 (See attached)

2.) Jason Smith, Chief, Inland Fisheries Division, came before the Commission to provide an overview of proposed administrative rules related to New Hampshire Inter-scholastic Athletic Association bass fishing tournaments.

Jason reported that the NHIAA Bass Tournaments have become extremely popular. Each school is only allowed to send up to 4 participants to the Inter-scholastic events. Schools with more than 4 interested students needed a method to determine which 4 would be representing their respective schools. These "pre-qualifying" events fall under the definition of a "fishing tournament". These rules will enable the individual schools to have pre-qualifying events without going through the full tournament application process.

3.) Mark Ellingwood, Chief, Wildlife Division, came before the Commission to notify them that he would be providing an overview at the January 15, 2013 Commission Meeting of the planned rulemaking process, including key dates and activities for 2014. He stated, "The Commission will have the opportunity to comment on draft proposals in January; on initial proposals in February; and on the final proposals in April."