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New Hampshire
Department of Agriculture,
Markets & Food

Lorraine S. Merrill, Commissioner

March 9, 2015

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

Dear Governor Hassan and Honorable Council:

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the New Hampshire Department of Agriculture, Markets & Food, Division of Agricultural Development (NHDAMF) to budget and expend carry forward revenue funds totaling \$18,713 received from previous fiscal years for the period from Governor and Council approval to June 30, 2015. These funds are needed to fulfill the scope of work with various grantees & contractors. These funds are to assist NHDAMF in the farm risk management and crop insurance, along with other marketing activities and improvements, coordinating/sponsoring risk management workshops for New Hampshire producers, and News Alerts in the Weekly Market Bulletin.
100% Other Funds – UNH Risk Management.

Funding is available in account, Risk Management, as follows.

02-18-18-185010-28240000 IT-Risk Management/Crop Insurance

<u>OBJECT CLASS</u>	<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>FY 2015 APPROP.</u>	<u>CHANGE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
020-500200	Current Expenses	\$ 1,110	\$ 7,632	\$ 8,742
037-500174	Technology-hardware	1,980	-0-	1,980
038-500177	Technology-software	520	-0-	520
040-500800	Indirect Cost	3,763	1,060	4,823
041-500801	Audit Fund Set Aside	27	21	48
069-500567	Promotional & Marketing	20,000	10,000	30,000
073-500581	Grants non-federal	600	-0-	600
102-500731	Contracts Program Services	<u>2,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>2,000</u>
	Total	\$30,000	\$18,713	\$48,713
	<u>Revenue</u>			
009-402800	Agency Income	\$30,000	\$18,713	\$48,713

EXPLANATION

The University Of New Hampshire (UNH) received funds from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to conduct risk management and crop insurance education programs in New Hampshire. UNH has granted a portion of these funds to NHDAMF to develop and publish an informational article series, manage a section of the NHDAMF website pertaining to risk management

information of interest to the New Hampshire agriculture industry and coordinate organic risk management workshops.

Fiscal Situation

Current State Appropriation FY2015:	
28240000 Risk Management/Crop Insurance	\$30,000.00
Request this item	<u>18,713.00</u>
Total FY2015 Revised Appropriation	\$48,713.00

FY 2014 Balance Carried Forward	\$18,713.77
Request this item	<u>(18,713.00)</u>
Total Remaining funds	\$.77

Respectfully submitted,



Lorraine S. Merrill
Commissioner