The State of New Hampshire
Department of Environmental Services
Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

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December 14, 2020

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) to accept and expend $61,107 from the Department of Safety, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) to implement activities of the Flood Hazards Program, effective upon Governor and Council approval through September 30, 2021. 100% Other (Interagency Federal Pass-Thru) Funds. Funding to be budgeted as follows:

Geologic Hazards Evaluation
03-44-44-440010-15510000
FY 2021

Class	Budget Category	Current Budget	Additional Funds	Revised Budget
Income				
001-405773	Transfers From Other Agency	($248,234)	($61,107)	($309,341)
Expenditures				
010-500100	Personal Services Perm	$138,750	$0	$138,750
018-500106	Overtime	$1,500	$0	$1,500
020-500200	Current Expense	$1,125	$0	$1,125
027-582703	Transfers to DoIT	$9,822	$0	$9,822
028-582814	Transfers to General Services	$7,614	$0	$7,614
030-500302	Equipment	$300	$0	$300
039-500188	Telecommunications	$1,200	$0	$1,200
040-500800	Indirect Costs	$8,697	$12,530	$21,227
042-500620	Additional Fringe Benefits	$10,519	$0	$10,519
050-500109	Personnel Part-Time Temp	$7,085	$35,137	$42,222
060-500601	Benefits	$57,597	$10,290	$67,887
066-500554	Employee Training	$975	$0	$975
070-500705	In-State Travel	$1,850	$3,150	$5,000
080-500716	Out Of State Travel	$1,200	$0	$1,200
	TOTAL	$248,234	$61,107	$309,341

EXPLANATION

Current funding for the Flood Hazards Program at NHDES is provided by NH HSEM, through September 30, 2021.

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Stream crossing data collection in support of the statewide Stream Crossing Initiative has been a core activity of the Flood Hazards Program for over a decade. The program funds support stream crossing assessment data collection, in addition to data processing and quality control. These activities are critical to support and sustain statewide efforts to have the data necessary to allow grant funds across multiple agencies to be utilized to upsize identified problem stream crossings in order to minimize flood risk. The summer field season is the time when stream crossings are assessed, and when NHDES has short time frames to quality control review data submitted by statewide assessors. The New Hampshire Geological Survey (NHGS) at NHDES utilizes summer interns for data collection, and will require additional assistance in quality control review activities to address the expected volume of data planned to be collected in the summer of 2021. These funds also support surficial geomorphologic mapping to support hazards identification. Such mapping activities must be undertaken in the summer months, which also requires Geographic Information Systems (GIS) support.

The purpose of this request is to allow NHDES to fund an existing part-time staff position throughout the remainder of the current fiscal year in order to assist with stream crossing and GIS support activities. Also, additional funds are being budgeted to support up to four (4) summer intern positions to conduct stream crossing assessments.

NHDES is requesting authorization to accept and expend HSEM funds and to budget these funds in the following classes.

Class 040 Indirect Costs – The increase in Class 050 requires a corresponding increase of funds in Class 040 (Indirect Costs). There are sufficient funds available in Class 042 (Additional Fringe Benefits).

Class 050 Personnel Services Temp – The additional amount being added to class 050, Personal Services-Temporary, will be used to support one part-time staff member through September 2021, in addition to allowing support for four (4) summer interns. The amount to be budgeted for the intern positions is $18,955.

Position #	Title	Budget Account 03-44-440010	Funding Mix	Amount
TMPT3221	Environmental Technician II	1551-050	100% Pass Thru Federal	$16,182

Class 060 Benefits – The increase in Class 050 requires a corresponding increase of funds in Class 060 (Benefits).

Class 070 In-State Travel – To support costs for state vehicle mileage use for the summer interns to conduct statewide stream crossing assessments.

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

We respectfully request your approval.

Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
GEOLOGIC HAZARDS EVALUATION
FISCAL SITUATION FY21
03-44-44-444000-15510000

Total Federal Awards	$544,601
Less Expenditures thru 06/30/2020	$230,799
Remaining Authorization to Budget	$313,802
Less Current FY21 Budget Authorization	$248,234
Total Available for Budgeting	$65,568
REQUESTED ACTION	$61,107
Available to Budget at a later date	$4,461

Grant Award Number	Award Amount	Expenses To 06/30/2020	Balance
L	271,797	230,799	40,998
M	272,804	-	272,804
TOTAL	$544,601	$230,799	$313,802

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State of New Hampshire

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RQ# 195817

July 22, 2019

GC #98
09-18-2019

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Requested Action

Pursuant to RSA 21-P:43, the Department of Safety, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) requests authorization to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Department of Environmental Services (DES) (VC#177894-B001) to support the Flood Hazards Program, which provides for two full-time and one part-time personnel and associated benefits necessary to support the program for the identification of river-induced public safety hazards in New Hampshire for a total amount of $271,797.00. Effective upon Governor and Council approval through September 30, 2020. Funding source: 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is anticipated to be available in the SFY 2020 operating budget as follows:

02-23-23-236010-80920000	Dept. of Safety	Homeland Sec-Emer Mgmt	100% EMPG Local Match
072-500576 Grants to Other State Agencies - Federal			
Activity Code: 23EMPG 2018			$271,797.00

Explanation

This MOA between the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) and the Department of Environmental Services (DES) is to support the Flood Hazard Program for the identification of river-induced public safety hazards. To address these initiatives under this grant, program staff will undertake several activities. These activities include conductance of hydraulic modeling of culvert failures and analysis of the resulting impacts on critical downstream transportation and building infrastructure. Additionally, program staff will provide technical administration of the state stream crossing assessment initiative, and the New Hampshire Silver Jackets interagency flood risk management team. Flood Hazards Program staff will manage stream crossing and flood hazards datasets, as relating to flood hazards, in support of DES, HSEM, and other state agencies.

The MOA listed above is funded from the FFY 2018 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG), which was awarded to the Department of Safety, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The grant funds are to be used to measurably improve all-hazard planning and preparedness capabilities/activities, to include mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery initiatives at the state and local level. Grant guidance and applications are available to all Emergency Management Directors and other qualified organizations in the State. Subrecipients submit applications to this office, which are reviewed by the HSEM Planning Chief, Assistant Planning Chief and Field Representatives and approved by the HSEM Director. The criteria for approval are based on grant eligibility in accordance with the grant's current guidance and the documented needs of the local jurisdictions.

EMPG is 50% federally funded by FEMA with a 50% match requirement supplied by the subrecipient. The subrecipient acknowledges their match obligation as part of Part V of the Memorandum of Agreement.

In the event that Federal Funds are no longer available, General Funds and/or Highway Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert R. Scott
Commissioner of Environmental Services

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Commissioner of Safety

HSEM-EMPG-07-2020-03

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GC Item 77
09-23-2020

August 11, 2020

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and the Honorable Council
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Requested Action

Pursuant to RSA 21-P:43, the Department of Safety, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) requests authorization to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Department of Environmental Services (DES) (VC#201164-B001) to support the Flood Hazards Program, which provides for two full-time and one part-time personnel, including associated benefits, necessary to support the program for the identification of river-induced public safety hazards in New Hampshire for a total amount of $272,804.00. Effective upon Governor and Council approval through September 30, 2021. Funding source: 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is available in the SFY 2021 operating budget as follows:

02-23-23-236010-80920000	Dept. of Safety	Homeland Sec-Emer Mgmt	100% EMPG Local Match
072-500576 Grants to Other State Agencies - Federal			
Activity Code: 23EMPG 2019			$272,804.00

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This Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) and the Department of Environmental Services (DES) supports the Flood Hazards Program for the identification of river-induced public safety hazards. To address the initiatives under this grant, the Flood Hazards Program staff will perform several activities including preparation, enhancement, and management of geoscience-based datasets to address flood hazards; provision of technical administration and management of the state stream crossing assessment initiative; and oversight of the New Hampshire Silver Jackets interagency flood risk management team in support of DES, HSEM, and other state agencies.

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