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# THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION


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Bureau of Highway Design
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His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, NH 03301

**INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

In accordance with the requirements approved by Governor and Council June 19, 2019, Item #89, the Department of Transportation is to submit on an annual basis a summary of Special, Supplemental, and Account Agreements (and their amendments) with utilities, municipalities and railroad entities that result from impacts to their facilities because of Department administered construction projects.

Attached please find the summary report of agreements paid for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

**EXPLANATION**

The Department historically, has contracted sole-source with utilities, municipalities, and railroad entities to provide proprietary services for equipment, material, and labor services. These services result from work required to relocate private and public infrastructure facilities from within the limits of construction projects which are either in the 10-Year Plan or street light removal program. Department administered construction projects routinely require utility work that only a utility, municipality, or railroad utility can both perform and provide necessary services. It is critical that these utility relocations be addressed prior to and during construction so that timely construction of the roadway and bridge projects can take place without halting construction that can add delay, increase costs, and have the potential to decrease public safety. In these examples, the utility, municipality, or railroad entity (vendor) is contracted and paid by the Department or the Department is contracted and paid by the vendor.

As a result of an audit finding, the Department of Transportation met with a representative of the Department of Administrative Services and specifically discussed the issue of Account Agreements. As part of this review, it was agreed by both Departments that the Department of Transportation request approval from the Governor and Executive Council for continued use of entering into these type agreements. As part of this process, an informational item will be presented to the Governor and Executive Council on an annual basis of the agreements which were entered into and used. The flexibility for these types of contracts is critical to the nature of the work performed and completed by the Department.

Total actual payments made by the Department in fiscal year 2020 were $1,832,610.88.

Sincerely,

Victoria F. Sheehan
Commissioner

Attachment

| Project # | Project Name | Force Agreement with | FY20 Expenditure |
|---|---|---|---|
| 10136C | Amherst | Springfield Terminal Railway | $361.42 |
| 11238Q | Newington-Dover | Dover | $1,058,601.98 |
| 11238Q | Newington-Dover | Portsmouth | $46,163.66 |
| 11238Q | Newington-Dover | Eversource Energy | $44,273.95 |
| 13455D | Portsmouth | Portsmouth | $60,822.55 |
| 13455E | Portsmouth | Eversource Energy | $1,902.51 |
| 13953 | Bedford | Manchester | $77,700.00 |
| 13953 | Bedford | Bedford | $132,511.63 |
| 14633D | Salem-Manchester | Londonderry | $133,830.00 |
| 14633D | Salem-Manchester | Derry | $3,485.55 |
| 14747 | Walpole-Charlestown | New England Central RR | $34,497.82 |
| 16144 | Laconia | Plymouth & Lincoln Rr Corp | $17,046.48 |
| 16146 | Farmington | Farmington | $41.00 |
| 16161F | District 1 | St Lawrence & Atlantic RR | $1,675.00 |
| 16166F | District 6 | Springfield Terminal Railway | $1,956.98 |
| 16166G | District 6 | Springfield Terminal Railway | $1,068.17 |
| 24861 | Derry | Derry | $1,035.00 |
| 25621 | Claremont | Claremont | $966.88 |
| 25821 | Lebanon | Lebanon | $7,384.99 |
| 29315 | Ossipee | Eversource Energy | $1,871.93 |
| 40420 | Gorham | St Lawrence & Atlantic RR | $1,675.00 |
| 40438 | Statewide | New Hampshire Northcoast Corp | $154,783.06 |
| 41097 | Manchester-Merrimack | Eversource Energy | $15,756.50 |
| 41159 | Statewide | Eversource Energy | $281.49 |
| 41174 | Bedford | Eversource Energy | $22,162.30 |
| 41439 | Bartlett | Conway Scenic Railroad | $2,289.18 |
| 41604 | Statewide | NH Central Railroad Inc | $1,440.00 |
| 41614 | Statewide | Springfield Terminal Railway | $6,036.36 |
| 42321 | District 1 | Plymouth & Lincoln Rr Corp | $989.49 |
| | | **FY20 Total Expenditures** | **$1,832,610.88** |