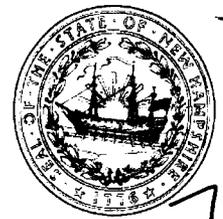




The State of New Hampshire  
**Department of Environmental Services**

**Robert R. Scott, Commissioner**



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November 15, 2021

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) to enter into a **SOLE SOURCE** agreement with the Rockingham Planning Commission (VC #154887-B001), Exeter, NH, in the amount of \$70,000 for the *Flood Smart Seacoast* project, effective upon Governor and Council approval through March 31, 2023. 100% Federal funds.

Funding is available in the following account.

	<u>FY 2022</u>
03-44-44-442010-12090000-102-500731	\$70,000
Dept. of Environmental Services, Coastal Resilience, Contracts for Program Services	

EXPLANATION

This agreement is **SOLE SOURCE** because the Rockingham Planning Commission (RPC) is the only entity that provides technical municipal planning assistance to coastal zone communities in the Rockingham planning region. RPC staff have longstanding relationships with its member communities, including the Town of Hampton, and are skilled in fostering regional coordination and developing coastal resilience and hazard mitigation plans and floodplain management ordinances. RPC also served on the steering committee charged with overseeing the development of the *2020 NH Coastal Flood Risk Guidance*. As such, RPC is uniquely qualified to build regional capacity and coordination for greater community resilience as part of this agreement. Funding for this agreement is explicitly identified in the DES Coastal Program's competitive *Flood Smart Seacoast* Project of Special Merit financial assistance award from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and cannot be used for any other purpose.

The purpose of this agreement is to enable RPC to 1) participate in the *Flood Smart Seacoast* partnership tasked with developing a regional capacity-building strategy focused on enhancing coastal resilience, floodplain management, and hazard mitigation; 2) complete floodplain management and hazard mitigation assistance trainings; 3) work with *Flood Smart Seacoast* project partners to provide training and technical assistance to help coastal communities incorporate best available coastal flood risk science in decision making, adopt higher floodplain management standards, and access FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance funding for coastal resilience projects; 4) design and pilot a just and equitable home elevation and voluntary buyout program for highly flood prone properties in Hampton, NH; and 5) participate in

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semi-annual project management meetings and comply with semi-annual grant reporting requirements. Total project costs for this agreement are \$70,000. A budget breakdown is provided in Attachment A. In the event that Federal funds become no longer available, general funds will not be requested to support this project.

This agreement has been approved by the Office of Attorney general as to form, execution and content.

We respectfully request your approval of this item.

  
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Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

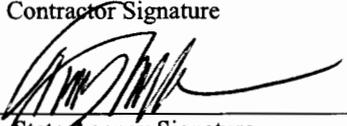
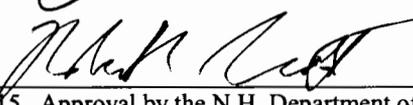
Notice: This agreement and all of its attachments shall become public upon submission to Governor and Executive Council for approval. Any information that is private, confidential or proprietary must be clearly identified to the agency and agreed to in writing prior to signing the contract.

**AGREEMENT**

The State of New Hampshire and the Contractor hereby mutually agree as follows:

**GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**1. IDENTIFICATION.**

1.1 State Agency Name New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services		1.2 State Agency Address 29 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH, 03302-0095	
1.3 Contractor Name Rockingham Planning Commission		1.4 Contractor Address 156 Water Street, Exeter, NH, 03833	
1.5 Contractor Phone Number 603-778-0885	1.6 Account Number 03-44-44-442010-1209-102-500731	1.7 Completion Date March 31, 2023	1.8 Price Limitation \$70,000
1.9 Contracting Officer for State Agency Nathalie DiGeronimo, Coastal Program		1.10 State Agency Telephone Number 603-559-0029	
1.11 Contractor Signature  Date: 11/1/21		1.12 Name and Title of Contractor Signatory Tim Roache, Executive Director	
1.13 State Agency Signature  Date: 11/16/21		1.14 Name and Title of State Agency Signatory Robert R. Scott, Commissioner, NHDES	
1.15 Approval by the N.H. Department of Administration, Division of Personnel (if applicable) By: _____ Director, On: _____			
1.16 Approval by the Attorney General (Form, Substance and Execution) (if applicable) By:  On: 12/7/2021			
1.17 Approval by the Governor and Executive Council (if applicable) G&C Item number: _____ G&C Meeting Date: _____			

Contractor Initials:   
 Date: 11/7/21

**2. SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED.** The State of New Hampshire, acting through the agency identified in block 1.1 ("State"), engages contractor identified in block 1.3 ("Contractor") to perform, and the Contractor shall perform, the work or sale of goods, or both, identified and more particularly described in the attached EXHIBIT B which is incorporated herein by reference ("Services").

**3. EFFECTIVE DATE/COMPLETION OF SERVICES.**

3.1 Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, and subject to the approval of the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire, if applicable, this Agreement, and all obligations of the parties hereunder, shall become effective on the date the Governor and Executive Council approve this Agreement as indicated in block 1.17, unless no such approval is required, in which case the Agreement shall become effective on the date the Agreement is signed by the State Agency as shown in block 1.13 ("Effective Date").

3.2 If the Contractor commences the Services prior to the Effective Date, all Services performed by the Contractor prior to the Effective Date shall be performed at the sole risk of the Contractor, and in the event that this Agreement does not become effective, the State shall have no liability to the Contractor, including without limitation, any obligation to pay the Contractor for any costs incurred or Services performed. Contractor must complete all Services by the Completion Date specified in block 1.7.

**4. CONDITIONAL NATURE OF AGREEMENT.**

Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, all obligations of the State hereunder, including, without limitation, the continuance of payments hereunder, are contingent upon the availability and continued appropriation of funds affected by any state or federal legislative or executive action that reduces, eliminates or otherwise modifies the appropriation or availability of funding for this Agreement and the Scope for Services provided in EXHIBIT B, in whole or in part. In no event shall the State be liable for any payments hereunder in excess of such available appropriated funds. In the event of a reduction or termination of appropriated funds, the State shall have the right to withhold payment until such funds become available, if ever, and shall have the right to reduce or terminate the Services under this Agreement immediately upon giving the Contractor notice of such reduction or termination. The State shall not be required to transfer funds from any other account or source to the Account identified in block 1.6 in the event funds in that Account are reduced or unavailable.

**5. CONTRACT PRICE/PRICE LIMITATION/PAYMENT.**

5.1 The contract price, method of payment, and terms of payment are identified and more particularly described in EXHIBIT C which is incorporated herein by reference.

5.2 The payment by the State of the contract price shall be the only and the complete reimbursement to the Contractor for all expenses, of whatever nature incurred by the Contractor in the performance hereof, and shall be the only and the complete

compensation to the Contractor for the Services. The State shall have no liability to the Contractor other than the contract price.

5.3 The State reserves the right to offset from any amounts otherwise payable to the Contractor under this Agreement those liquidated amounts required or permitted by N.H. RSA 80:7 through RSA 80:7-c or any other provision of law.

5.4 Notwithstanding any provision in this Agreement to the contrary, and notwithstanding unexpected circumstances, in no event shall the total of all payments authorized, or actually made hereunder, exceed the Price Limitation set forth in block 1.8.

**6. COMPLIANCE BY CONTRACTOR WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS/ EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY.**

6.1 In connection with the performance of the Services, the Contractor shall comply with all applicable statutes, laws, regulations, and orders of federal, state, county or municipal authorities which impose any obligation or duty upon the Contractor, including, but not limited to, civil rights and equal employment opportunity laws. In addition, if this Agreement is funded in any part by monies of the United States, the Contractor shall comply with all federal executive orders, rules, regulations and statutes, and with any rules, regulations and guidelines as the State or the United States issue to implement these regulations. The Contractor shall also comply with all applicable intellectual property laws.

6.2 During the term of this Agreement, the Contractor shall not discriminate against employees or applicants for employment because of race, color, religion, creed, age, sex, handicap, sexual orientation, or national origin and will take affirmative action to prevent such discrimination.

6.3 The Contractor agrees to permit the State or United States access to any of the Contractor's books, records and accounts for the purpose of ascertaining compliance with all rules, regulations and orders, and the covenants, terms and conditions of this Agreement.

**7. PERSONNEL.**

7.1 The Contractor shall at its own expense provide all personnel necessary to perform the Services. The Contractor warrants that all personnel engaged in the Services shall be qualified to perform the Services, and shall be properly licensed and otherwise authorized to do so under all applicable laws.

7.2 Unless otherwise authorized in writing, during the term of this Agreement, and for a period of six (6) months after the Completion Date in block 1.7, the Contractor shall not hire, and shall not permit any subcontractor or other person, firm or corporation with whom it is engaged in a combined effort to perform the Services to hire, any person who is a State employee or official, who is materially involved in the procurement, administration or performance of this Agreement. This provision shall survive termination of this Agreement.

7.3 The Contracting Officer specified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, shall be the State's representative. In the event of any dispute concerning the interpretation of this Agreement, the Contracting Officer's decision shall be final for the State.

**8. EVENT OF DEFAULT/REMEDIES.**

8.1 Any one or more of the following acts or omissions of the Contractor shall constitute an event of default hereunder ("Event of Default"):

8.1.1 failure to perform the Services satisfactorily or on schedule;

8.1.2 failure to submit any report required hereunder; and/or

8.1.3 failure to perform any other covenant, term or condition of this Agreement.

8.2 Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default, the State may take any one, or more, or all, of the following actions:

8.2.1 give the Contractor a written notice specifying the Event of Default and requiring it to be remedied within, in the absence of a greater or lesser specification of time, thirty (30) days from the date of the notice; and if the Event of Default is not timely cured, terminate this Agreement, effective two (2) days after giving the Contractor notice of termination;

8.2.2 give the Contractor a written notice specifying the Event of Default and suspending all payments to be made under this Agreement and ordering that the portion of the contract price which would otherwise accrue to the Contractor during the period from the date of such notice until such time as the State determines that the Contractor has cured the Event of Default shall never be paid to the Contractor;

8.2.3 give the Contractor a written notice specifying the Event of Default and set off against any other obligations the State may owe to the Contractor any damages the State suffers by reason of any Event of Default; and/or

8.2.4 give the Contractor a written notice specifying the Event of Default, treat the Agreement as breached, terminate the Agreement and pursue any of its remedies at law or in equity, or both.

8.3. No failure by the State to enforce any provisions hereof after any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of its rights with regard to that Event of Default, or any subsequent Event of Default. No express failure to enforce any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of the right of the State to enforce each and all of the provisions hereof upon any further or other Event of Default on the part of the Contractor.

**9. TERMINATION.**

9.1 Notwithstanding paragraph 8, the State may, at its sole discretion, terminate the Agreement for any reason, in whole or in part, by thirty (30) days written notice to the Contractor that the State is exercising its option to terminate the Agreement.

9.2 In the event of an early termination of this Agreement for any reason other than the completion of the Services, the Contractor shall, at the State's discretion, deliver to the Contracting Officer, not later than fifteen (15) days after the date of termination, a report ("Termination Report") describing in detail all Services performed, and the contract price earned, to and including the date of termination. The form, subject matter, content, and number of copies of the Termination Report shall be identical to those of any Final Report described in the attached EXHIBIT B. In addition, at the State's discretion, the Contractor shall, within 15 days of notice of early termination, develop and

submit to the State a Transition Plan for services under the Agreement.

**10. DATA/ACCESS/CONFIDENTIALITY/PRESERVATION.**

10.1 As used in this Agreement, the word "data" shall mean all information and things developed or obtained during the performance of, or acquired or developed by reason of, this Agreement, including, but not limited to, all studies, reports, files, formulae, surveys, maps, charts, sound recordings, video recordings, pictorial reproductions, drawings, analyses, graphic representations, computer programs, computer printouts, notes, letters, memoranda, papers, and documents, all whether finished or unfinished.

10.2 All data and any property which has been received from the State or purchased with funds provided for that purpose under this Agreement, shall be the property of the State, and shall be returned to the State upon demand or upon termination of this Agreement for any reason.

10.3 Confidentiality of data shall be governed by N.H. RSA chapter 91-A or other existing law. Disclosure of data requires prior written approval of the State.

**11. CONTRACTOR'S RELATION TO THE STATE.** In the performance of this Agreement the Contractor is in all respects an independent contractor, and is neither an agent nor an employee of the State. Neither the Contractor nor any of its officers, employees, agents or members shall have authority to bind the State or receive any benefits, workers' compensation or other emoluments provided by the State to its employees.

**12. ASSIGNMENT/DELEGATION/SUBCONTRACTS.**

12.1 The Contractor shall not assign, or otherwise transfer any interest in this Agreement without the prior written notice, which shall be provided to the State at least fifteen (15) days prior to the assignment, and a written consent of the State. For purposes of this paragraph, a Change of Control shall constitute assignment. "Change of Control" means (a) merger, consolidation, or a transaction or series of related transactions in which a third party, together with its affiliates, becomes the direct or indirect owner of fifty percent (50%) or more of the voting shares or similar equity interests, or combined voting power of the Contractor, or (b) the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Contractor.

12.2 None of the Services shall be subcontracted by the Contractor without prior written notice and consent of the State. The State is entitled to copies of all subcontracts and assignment agreements and shall not be bound by any provisions contained in a subcontract or an assignment agreement to which it is not a party.

**13. INDEMNIFICATION.** Unless otherwise exempted by law, the Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the State, its officers and employees, from and against any and all claims, liabilities and costs for any personal injury or property damages, patent or copyright infringement, or other claims asserted against the State, its officers or employees, which arise out of (or which may be claimed to arise out of) the acts or omission of the

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Contractor, or subcontractors, including but not limited to the negligence, reckless or intentional conduct. The State shall not be liable for any costs incurred by the Contractor arising under this paragraph 13. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein contained shall be deemed to constitute a waiver of the sovereign immunity of the State, which immunity is hereby reserved to the State. This covenant in paragraph 13 shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

#### 14. INSURANCE.

14.1 The Contractor shall, at its sole expense, obtain and continuously maintain in force, and shall require any subcontractor or assignee to obtain and maintain in force, the following insurance:

14.1.1 commercial general liability insurance against all claims of bodily injury, death or property damage, in amounts of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate or excess; and

14.1.2 special cause of loss coverage form covering all property subject to subparagraph 10.2 herein, in an amount not less than 80% of the whole replacement value of the property.

14.2 The policies described in subparagraph 14.1 herein shall be on policy forms and endorsements approved for use in the State of New Hampshire by the N.H. Department of Insurance, and issued by insurers licensed in the State of New Hampshire.

14.3 The Contractor shall furnish to the Contracting Officer identified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, a certificate(s) of insurance for all insurance required under this Agreement. Contractor shall also furnish to the Contracting Officer identified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, certificate(s) of insurance for all renewal(s) of insurance required under this Agreement no later than ten (10) days prior to the expiration date of each insurance policy. The certificate(s) of insurance and any renewals thereof shall be attached and are incorporated herein by reference.

#### 15. WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

15.1 By signing this agreement, the Contractor agrees, certifies and warrants that the Contractor is in compliance with or exempt from, the requirements of N.H. RSA chapter 281-A ("*Workers' Compensation*").

15.2 To the extent the Contractor is subject to the requirements of N.H. RSA chapter 281-A, Contractor shall maintain, and require any subcontractor or assignee to secure and maintain, payment of Workers' Compensation in connection with activities which the person proposes to undertake pursuant to this Agreement. The Contractor shall furnish the Contracting Officer identified in block 1.9, or his or her successor, proof of Workers' Compensation in the manner described in N.H. RSA chapter 281-A and any applicable renewal(s) thereof, which shall be attached and are incorporated herein by reference. The State shall not be responsible for payment of any Workers' Compensation premiums or for any other claim or benefit for Contractor, or any subcontractor or employee of Contractor, which might arise under applicable State of New Hampshire Workers' Compensation laws in connection with the performance of the Services under this Agreement.

16. **NOTICE.** Any notice by a party hereto to the other party shall be deemed to have been duly delivered or given at the time of mailing by certified mail, postage prepaid, in a United States Post Office addressed to the parties at the addresses given in blocks 1.2 and 1.4, herein.

17. **AMENDMENT.** This Agreement may be amended, waived or discharged only by an instrument in writing signed by the parties hereto and only after approval of such amendment, waiver or discharge by the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire unless no such approval is required under the circumstances pursuant to State law, rule or policy.

18. **CHOICE OF LAW AND FORUM.** This Agreement shall be governed, interpreted and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New Hampshire, and is binding upon and inures to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assigns. The wording used in this Agreement is the wording chosen by the parties to express their mutual intent, and no rule of construction shall be applied against or in favor of any party. Any actions arising out of this Agreement shall be brought and maintained in New Hampshire Superior Court which shall have exclusive jurisdiction thereof.

19. **CONFLICTING TERMS.** In the event of a conflict between the terms of this P-37 form (as modified in EXHIBIT A) and/or attachments and amendment thereof, the terms of the P-37 (as modified in EXHIBIT A) shall control.

20. **THIRD PARTIES.** The parties hereto do not intend to benefit any third parties and this Agreement shall not be construed to confer any such benefit.

21. **HEADINGS.** The headings throughout the Agreement are for reference purposes only, and the words contained therein shall in no way be held to explain, modify, amplify or aid in the interpretation, construction or meaning of the provisions of this Agreement.

22. **SPECIAL PROVISIONS.** Additional or modifying provisions set forth in the attached EXHIBIT A are incorporated herein by reference.

23. **SEVERABILITY.** In the event any of the provisions of this Agreement are held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be contrary to any state or federal law, the remaining provisions of this Agreement will remain in full force and effect.

24. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT.** This Agreement, which may be executed in a number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the parties, and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings with respect to the subject matter hereof.

## Exhibit A Special Provisions

Federal Funds paid under this agreement are from a Contract Agreement to the State from the US Department of Commerce (DOC), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration under CFDA # 11.419. All applicable requirements, regulations, provisions, terms and conditions of this Federal Contract Agreement are hereby adopted in full force and effect to the relationship between this Department and the Contractor.

In addition to the General Provisions of Paragraph 1 through 24, the following provisions as required by federal regulations apply to this Agreement:

I) ***Nondiscrimination.*** The Contractor shall comply with 15 CFR part 8 which prohibits discrimination under any program or activity receiving DOC assistance on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender or handicap, and 15 CFR part 20 which prohibits discrimination based on age.

II) ***Financial management.*** The Contractor shall comply with 2 CFR part 200 Subpart D and the specific standards regarding financial reporting, accounting records, internal control, budget control, allowable cost, source documentation, and cash management outlined therein.

III) ***Allowable costs.*** All costs charged to this Agreement shall be eligible, necessary, and reasonable for performing the tasks outlined in the approved project scope of services. The costs, including match, shall be incurred during the period of performance of the project, and shall be allowable, meaning that the costs must conform to specific federal requirements detailed in 2 CFR part 200 Subpart E.

IV) ***Matching funds.*** All matching funds contributed by the Contractor shall conform to the same laws, regulations, and Contract conditions as the federal funds in the Agreement and referenced in 2 CFR part 200 Subpart E.

V) ***Property Management.*** The Contractor shall comply with the property management and procedures detailed in 2 CFR Part 200 Subpart D.

VI) ***Debarment and Suspension.*** The Contractor shall comply with 2 CFR Part 200 Subpart C. By signing and submitting the Agreement, the Contractor certifies that they have not been debarred or suspended by a government agency. The Contractor will not make any award or permit any award (subcontract) at any tier to any party which is debarred or suspended or is otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal assistance programs under Executive Order 12549, "Debarment and Suspension."

VII) ***Procurement.*** When purchasing goods or services with contract or match funds, the Contractor shall comply with procurement regulations as detailed in 2 CFR Part 200 Subpart D which include procurement standards, competition, methods of procurement, contract cost and price, agency review, bonding requirements, and contract provisions.

a. Assignment of Subcontracts. The Contractor shall not assign, or otherwise transfer any interest in this contract without the prior written consent of the Contract Owner and the State.

b. Subcontracts. The Contractor shall:

i. Ensure that every subcontract includes provisions for compliance with Federal and State standards applicable to the contract;

ii. Ensure that every subcontract includes any clauses required by Federal statute and

- executive orders and their implementing regulations; and
- iii. Ensure that subcontractors are aware of requirements imposed upon them by State and Federal statutes and regulations.

VIII) **Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises.** The Contractor shall comply with the terms of 2 CFR Part 200 Subpart D, which requires that organizations conduct a competitive procurement process making a good faith effort to utilize goods and services provided by disadvantaged businesses.

IX) **New Restrictions on Lobbying: Interim Final Rule.** The Contractor shall comply with the terms of 15 CFR part 28 and 2 CFR Part 200 Subpart E which prohibit the use of federal Contract funds to influence (or attempt to influence) a federal employee, and requires the submission of Standard Form LLL ("Disclosure of Lobbying Activities") if nonfederal funds have been used to influence (or attempt to influence) a federal employee.

X) **Drug-Free Workplace.** The Contractor shall comply with the terms of 2 CFR part 1329 which require that as a condition of the Agreement, certification that they maintain a drug-free workplace. By signing and submitting the Agreement, the Contractor certifies that he or she will not engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance in conducting any activity associated with the Agreement.

XI) **Bonding requirements.** The Contractor shall comply with 2 CFR Part 200 Subpart D for construction or facility improvement contracts or subcontracts exceeding the simplified acquisition threshold (currently \$150,000), the minimum requirements shall be as follows:

- a. A bid guarantee from each bidder equivalent to five percent of the bid price. The "bid guarantee" shall consist of a firm commitment such as a bid bond, certified check, or other negotiable instrument accompanying a bid as assurance that the bidder will, upon acceptance of his bid, execute such contractual documents as may be required within the time specified.
- b. A performance bond on the part of the contractor for 100 percent of the contract price. A "performance bond" is one executed in connection with a contract to secure fulfillment of all the contractor's obligations under such contract.
- c. A payment bond on the part of the contractor for 100 percent of the contract price. A "payment bond" is one executed in connection with a contract to assure payment as required by law of all persons supplying labor and material in the execution of the work provided for in the contract.

XII) **Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA).** The Contractor shall comply with the terms of the FFATA by providing NHDES with their Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number, and all applicable Executive Compensation Data information as required under the FFATA. The DUNS number is 099363210.

**Exhibit B**  
**Scope of Services**

**A. Project Title: RPC Flood Smart Seacoast Project (PSM 21-1)**

**B. Project Objectives:** The goal of this project is to 1) increase coordination between state and coastal program, hazard mitigation, and floodplain management staff and regional planners and develop a long-term strategy for creating a regional program and permanent position(s) focused on improving local coastal floodplain management and resilience; 2) build the capacity of project team members to provide strong local technical assistance through the completion of at least one floodplain management or FEMA training, 3) provide training and technical assistance to help coastal communities incorporate best available coastal flood risk science in decision making, adopt higher floodplain management standards, and access FEMA funding for coastal resilience projects; and 4) design and pilot a just and equitable flood mitigation and relocation program in Hampton, NH.

**C. Project Tasks:** This project is part of the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Coastal Program's (NHCP) FFY21 National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Project of Special Merit (PSM) competitive financial assistance award, entitled "Flood Smart Seacoast: Coordinating Regional Resilience Partners to Integrate Future Climate Flood Risk in Floodplain Management and Access FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance in Vulnerable Coastal New Hampshire Communities." NHCP personnel will provide overall Flood Smart Seacoast project oversight and will be substantially involved in all subawards granted under Federal Award ID #NA21NOS4190035.

Rockingham Planning Commission (RPC) will perform the following tasks in support of the Flood Smart Seacoast project:

**Task 1. Flood Smart Seacoast Partnership**

- 1.1. Participate in quarterly meetings of the newly formed Flood Smart Seacoast Partnership convened by NHCP and comprised of representatives from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Office of Planning and Development, RPC, and Strafford Regional Planning Commission (SRPC).
- 1.2. Work with Flood Smart Seacoast Partnership members to confirm current and future capacity needs and to develop a long-term strategy for creating and sustaining a regional program and permanent position(s) focused on helping coastal New Hampshire communities implement the *NH Coastal Flood Risk Summary, Part II: Guidance for Using Scientific Projections*, adopt higher floodplain management standards, and access FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance funding.

**Budget Estimate:** \$3,500

**Timeframe:** October 2021 – March 2023

**Task 2. Floodplain Management and/or Hazard Mitigation Assistance Training**

- 2.1. Complete at least two (2) relevant floodplain management and/or hazard mitigation assistance trainings recommended by Flood Smart Seacoast Partnership members in order to build SRPC capacity to deliver stronger technical assistance. Examples of trainings include, but are not limited to: National Flood Insurance and Community Rating System online training and FEMA Benefit-Cost Analysis independent study courses.

***Budget Estimate:*** \$500

***Timeframe:*** October 2021 – March 2022

**Task 3. Training and Technical Assistance to Coastal Communities**

- 3.1. Work with Flood Smart Seacoast project partners from the NHCP, SRPC, and UNH Extension / NH Sea Grant Extension to develop a Request for Letters of Interest (LOI) to solicit training and technical assistance project proposals from coastal communities.
- 3.2. Prepare for and lead at least two (2) training and technical assistance projects to help coastal communities (1) apply the *NH Coastal Flood Risk Summary, Part II: Guidance for Using Scientific Projections* in local plans and land use regulations; (2) adopt more stringent floodplain regulations that exceed minimum National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) requirements and account for future flood risk; or (3) scope mitigation projects eligible for FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance funding, identify sources of non-federal match, and prepare applications.

***Budget Estimate:*** \$15,000

***Timeframe:*** October 2021 – March 2023

**Task 4. Just and Equitable Home Elevation and Voluntary Buyout Program in Hampton**

- 4.1. Participate in monthly task check-in meetings with the Town of Hampton, NH and NHCP to review task progress, assign action items, and resolve issues.
- 4.2. Work with the Town of Hampton, NH and NHCP to design a just and equitable process to identify and prioritize home elevation and voluntary buyout projects in Hampton, NH and finalize task scope and work plan. Final task scope and work plan should be vetted by and reflect the priorities of the Town of Hampton, NH and affected residents.
- 4.3. Work with the Town of Hampton, NH and NHCP to develop a list of candidate home elevation and voluntary buyout projects. It is anticipated that RPC will conduct a desktop analysis to identify neighborhoods of high physical and social vulnerability wherein to focus efforts. The desktop analysis will utilize existing datasets and local research projects (e.g., FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps, current repetitive loss data, Tides to Storms Sea-Level Rise and Storm Surge Vulnerability Assessment data, Hampton-Seabrook Estuary Social Vulnerability Index, etc.). RPC will obtain input from the Town of Hampton, NH and NHCP on neighborhood selection criteria. It is also anticipated that RPC will design and conduct a survey of residents in identified neighborhoods to gauge interest and readiness to pursue FEMA funding for home elevation and voluntary buyouts. RPC will obtain input from the Town of Hampton, NH and NHCP on survey design, distribution, and analysis. Because the resident survey data will include personally identifiable information related to private property flood damage history, finances, and interest in home elevation

and voluntary buyouts, the data will be maintained in a password protected database. Survey data will not be made publicly accessible due to the sensitive nature of the personally identifiable information.

- 4.4. Work with the Town of Hampton, NH and NHCP to develop selection criteria to prioritize 1-3 home elevation and voluntary buyout projects to receive technical assistance.
- 4.5. Work with the Town of Hampton, NH and NHCP to prepare complete applications for future FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) funding for the top 1-3 priority home elevation and voluntary buyout project candidates.
- 4.6. Work with the Town of Hampton, NH and NHCP to develop a long term strategy for administering FEMA HMA grants for the selected 1-3 and future home elevation and voluntary buyout projects.

**Budget Estimate:** \$60,000

**Timeframe:** October 2021 – March 2023

**Task 5. Project Management and Reporting**

- 5.1. Participate in three (3) semi-annual project team meetings convened by the NHCP in order to coordinate Flood Smart Seacoast project activities and reporting.
- 5.2. Submit three (3) semi-annual progress reports summarizing progress made to-date on project tasks during the following reporting periods: October 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022; April 1, 2022 to September 30, 2022; and October 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023.

**Budget Estimate:** \$1,000

**Timeframe:** October 2021 – March 2023

**D. Project Deliverables:**

- 1.1. Attendance at quarterly Flood Smart Seacoast Partnership meetings and completion of assigned pre-work prior to each meeting (*October 2021, December 2021, March 2022, June 2022, September 2022, December 2022, March 2023*)
- 1.2. Input on long-term Flood Smart Seacoast regional capacity building strategy (*March 2023*)
- 2.1. Completion of at least two (2) floodplain management and/or hazard mitigation assistance trainings (*March 2022*)
- 3.1 LOIs for training and technical assistance grants are solicited (*March 2022*)
- 3.2 Final products for at least two (2) training and technical assistance projects (*March 2023*)
- 4.1 Attendance at monthly Task 4 check-in meetings and completion of assigned action items (*October-December 2021, January-December 2022, January-March 2023*)
- 4.2 Task 4 scope and work plan finalized (*December 2021*)
- 4.3 List of candidate home elevation and voluntary buyout projects identified (*March 2022*)
- 4.4 Prioritization criteria established and 1-3 priority projects selected (*June 2022*)
- 4.5 FEMA HMA applications prepared for 1-3 priority projects (*March 2023*)

4.6 Long-term strategy for administering FEMA HMA grants developed (*March 2023*)

5.1 Attendance at three (3) project team meetings (*March 2022, September 2022, March 2023*)

5.2 Three (3) semi-annual progress reports (*April 2022, October 2022, March 2023*)

**E. Funding credit and ADA Compliance:** All final work products and outreach materials shall include the NOAA, NHDES and NHCP logos and shall state that "This project was funded, in part, by NOAA's Office for Coastal Management under the Coastal Zone Management Act in conjunction with the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Coastal Program." All final work products must meet the applicable Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Title II Regulations to the extent practicable and shall be guided by best practices outlined in the Revised Section 508 Standards of the Rehabilitation Act and the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG). At minimum, final work products shall include sans-serif fonts, underlined and descriptive text links, color best practices, captions for audio and video content, headers in tables, images with alt text, gender-neutral text, and consideration of the Plain Writing Act. Examples of final work products and outreach materials include, but are not limited to, project reports, press releases, newsletter articles, websites, videos and signage.

**Exhibit C**  
**Method of Payment and Contract Price**

The State shall pay to the Contractor the total reimbursable program costs in accordance with the following requirements:

Reimbursement requests for program costs shall be made by the Contractor using a payment request form as supplied by the State, which shall be completed and signed by the Contractor. The payment request form shall be accompanied by proper supporting documentation in the amount of each requested disbursement and required matching funds. Documentation of reimbursable and matching costs may include invoices for supplies, equipment, services, contractual services, and a report of personnel, travel and indirect costs. For projects that demonstrate progress solely through the submission of interim progress reports, payments shall be made upon receipt, review and approval of the interim progress report and accompanying payment request form. Payments shall be made to the Contractor no more frequently than monthly.

The total reimbursement shall not exceed the grant award of \$70,000. Matching funds are not required for this contract.

Contractor Initials TMR  
Date 10/1/21

CERTIFICATE of AUTHORITY

I, Glenn Coppelman, Secretary of Rockingham Planning Commission, do hereby certify that:

- (1) I am the duly elected Secretary;
- (2) at the meeting held on May 26, 2021, the Rockingham Planning Commission voted to accept DES funds and to enter into a contract with the Department of Environmental Services;
- (3) the Rockingham Planning Commission further authorized the Executive Director to execute any documents which may be necessary for this contract;
- (4) this authorization has not been revoked, annulled, or amended in any manner whatsoever, and remains in full force and effect as of the date hereof; and
- (5) the following person has been appointed to and now occupies the office indicated in (3) above:

Timothy Roache

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as the Secretary of the Rockingham Planning Commission, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of NOVEMBER 2021.



Glenn Coppelman, Secretary

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

County of Rockingham

On this the 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2021, before me Annette Pettengill the undersigned officer, personally appeared Glenn Coppelman who acknowledged himself to be the Secretary of the Rockingham Planning Commission being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purpose therein contained.

In witness whereof, I have set my hand and official seal.



Annette Pettengill, Notary

Commission Expiration Date

(Seal)







## CERTIFICATE OF COVERAGE

The New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange (Primex<sup>3</sup>) is organized under the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 5-B, Pooled Risk Management Programs. In accordance with those statutes, its Trust Agreement and bylaws, Primex<sup>3</sup> is authorized to provide pooled risk management programs established for the benefit of political subdivisions in the State of New Hampshire.

Each member of Primex<sup>3</sup> is entitled to the categories of coverage set forth below. In addition, Primex<sup>3</sup> may extend the same coverage to non-members. However, any coverage extended to a non-member is subject to all of the terms, conditions, exclusions, amendments, rules, policies and procedures that are applicable to the members of Primex<sup>3</sup>, including but not limited to the final and binding resolution of all claims and coverage disputes before the Primex<sup>3</sup> Board of Trustees. The Additional Covered Party's per occurrence limit shall be deemed included in the Member's per occurrence limit, and therefore shall reduce the Member's limit of liability as set forth by the Coverage Documents and Declarations. The limit shown may have been reduced by claims paid on behalf of the member. General Liability coverage is limited to Coverage A (Personal Injury Liability) and Coverage B (Property Damage Liability) only, Coverage's C (Public Officials Errors and Omissions), D (Unfair Employment Practices), E (Employee Benefit Liability) and F (Educator's Legal Liability Claims-Made Coverage) are excluded from this provision of coverage.

The below named entity is a member in good standing of the New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange. The coverage provided may, however, be revised at any time by the actions of Primex<sup>3</sup>. As of the date this certificate is issued, the information set out below accurately reflects the categories of coverage established for the current coverage year.

This Certificate is issued as a matter of information only and confers no rights upon the certificate holder. This certificate does not amend, extend, or alter the coverage afforded by the coverage categories listed below.

<b>Participating Member:</b> Rockingham Regional Planning Commission 156 Water Street Exeter, NH 03833		<b>Member Number:</b> 563	<b>Company Affording Coverage:</b> NH Public Risk Management Exchange - Primex <sup>3</sup> Bow Brook Place 46 Donovan Street Concord, NH 03301-2624	
Type of Coverage	Effective Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Expiration Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Limits - NH Statutory Limits May Apply, if Not	
<b>General Liability (Occurrence Form)</b> <b>Professional Liability (describe)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Claims Made <input type="checkbox"/> Occurrence			Each Occurrence	
			General Aggregate	
			Fire Damage (Any one fire)	
			Med Exp (Any one person)	
<b>Automobile Liability</b> Deductible    Comp and Coll: <input type="checkbox"/> Any auto			Combined Single Limit (Each Accident)	
			Aggregate	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Workers' Compensation &amp; Employers' Liability</b>	1/1/2021	1/1/2022	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Statutory	
			Each Accident	\$2,000,000
			Disease – Each Employee	\$2,000,000
			Disease – Policy Limit	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Property (Special Risk includes Fire and Theft)</b>			Blanket Limit, Replacement Cost (unless otherwise stated)	
<b>Description:</b> Proof of Primex Member coverage only.				

<b>CERTIFICATE HOLDER:</b>	<b>Additional Covered Party</b>	<b>Loss Payee</b>	<b>Primex<sup>3</sup> – NH Public Risk Management Exchange</b>
NH Dept of Environmental Services 29 Hazen Drive Concord NH 03302-0095			<b>By:</b> <i>Mary Beth Purcell</i>
			<b>Date:</b> 11/2/2021    mpurcell@nhprimex.org
			Please direct inquires to: <b>Primex<sup>3</sup> Claims/Coverage Services</b> <b>603-225-2841 phone</b> <b>603-228-3833 fax</b>

**Attachment A**

Item	Federal	Non-Federal	*Match Type (C/K)	Total
Personnel	\$26,246	-	-	\$26,246
Fringe	-	-	-	-
Equipment	-	-	-	-
Travel	\$250	-	-	\$250
Supplies	-	-	-	-
Sub-Contractual	\$10,000	-	-	\$10,000
Construction	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-
Indirect	\$33,504	-	-	\$33,504
TOTALS	\$70,000	-	-	\$70,000

\* Match Type: Indicate "C" is cash match; "K" if in-kind