



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT of NATURAL and CULTURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF FORESTS AND LANDS

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August 18, 2022

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 227-L:26 and L:32, authorize the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (DNCR), Division of Forests and Lands to make a **Retroactive** payment to the Maine Department of Conservation (VC#177142), Augusta, ME, for \$9,799.39 for providing out-of-state firefighting resources for the Bemis Fire located in Hart's Location on May 14-22, 2022, effective upon Governor and Council approval. 100% General Funds.

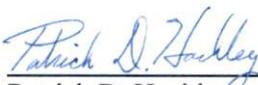
Funding is available in account, Reimburse to Municipalities, as follows:

	<u>FY 2023</u>
03-035-035-351510-21810000-020-500200 - Current Expenses	\$1,598.04
03-035-035-351510-21810000-050-500109 - Part Time Salaries	\$6,582.42
03-035-035-351510-21810000-060-500601 - Benefits	<u>\$1,618.93</u>
Total	\$9,799.39

EXPLANATION

This request is **Retroactive** because the firefighting resources were ordered during wildfire suppression and the DNCR did not receive the invoice until August. On May 14, 2022, the Bemis wildfire started in Crawford Notch in the area of Arethusa Falls and Crawford Notch State Park. This fire burned in three separate areas on private, state, and federal lands and totaled 106 acres. The fire burned on extremely steep terrain and suppression efforts were very difficult and complex. The NH Division of Forests and Lands, White Mountain National Forest (WMNF), and local fire departments all provided firefighters to extinguish this fire. It was determined that additional firefighting resources were needed to help extinguish the Bemis Fire due to the size, the steep terrain and the deep burning conditions. Through our membership in the Northeastern Forest Fire Protection Commission, we were able to request resources from the state of Maine. The Maine Forest Service sent a 7-person module to the Bemis Fire. The reimbursement process for these firefighters is authorized in RSA 227-L:26 Northeastern Interstate Forest Fire Protection Compact. – Article IX. *...Any member state rendering outside aid pursuant to this compact shall be reimbursed by the member state receiving such aid for any loss or damage to, or expense incurred in the operation of any equipment answering a request for aid, and for the cost of all materials, transportation, wages, salaries, and maintenance of employees and equipment incurred in connection with such request.* The reimbursement process is further outlined in RSA 227-L:32 Payment by State. – *Upon recommendation of the director of the division of forests and lands, department of natural and cultural resources, and upon warrant of the governor with the approval of the council, the state treasurer shall pay out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated to any state giving aid within the state under this chapter, such sums as shall be due under the terms of this chapter.*

Respectfully submitted,


Patrick D. Hackley
Director

Concurred,


Sarah L. Stewart
Commissioner

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PUBLIC VOUCHER FOR PURCHASES AND SERVICES OTHER THAN PERSONAL

VOUCHER NO
MEFPD-2022-007

U.S. DEPARTMENT, BUREAU, OR ESTABLISHMENT AND LOCATION

**Forest Protection Bureau
Attn: Steve Sherman
172 Pembroke Road
Concord, New Hampshire 03301**

DATE VOUCHER PREPARED

August 1, 2022

CONTRACT NUMBER AND DATE

17-FI-11092200-030

REQUISITION NUMBER AND DATE

MEFPD-2022-007 / August 1, 2022

SCHEDULE NO

PAID BY

PAYEE'S NAME AND ADDRESS

**MAINE DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION
BUREAU OF FORESTRY, FOREST PROTECTION DIVISION
22 STATE HOUSE STATION
AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0022**

Jenny Stevens

ATTN: JENNY STEVENS jenny.stevens@maine.gov (207) 827-1804

DATE INVOICE RECEIVED

DISCOUNT TERMS

PAYEE'S ACCOUNT NUMBER

SHIPPED FROM

TO

WEIGHT

GOVERNMENT B/L NUMBER

NUMBER AND DATE OF ORDER	DATE OF DELIVERY OR SERVICE	ARTICLES OR SERVICES <i>(Enter description, item number of contract or Federal supply schedule, and other information deemed necessary)</i>	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE		AMOUNT (¹)
				COST	PER	
(see attachments)	5/17/22 to 5/19/22	Out-of-State Resources NHS Bemis Fire; NH-NHS Module #1 - NHS Expenses Engine 046-198 and Truck 183-2722				\$ 8,201.35 \$ 1,383.00 \$ 215.04
TOTAL						\$ 9,799.39

(Use continuation sheets if necessary)

(Payee must NOT use the space below)

PAYMENT: <input type="checkbox"/> PROVISIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE <input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input type="checkbox"/> FINAL <input type="checkbox"/> PROGRESS <input type="checkbox"/> ADVANCE	APPROVED FOR	EXCHANGE RATE	DIFFERENCES
	= \$	= \$1.00	
	BY ²		Amount verified, correct for
	TITLE		(Signature or initials)

Pursuant to authority vested in me, I certify that this voucher is correct and proper for payment.

(Date)

(Authorized Certifying Officer)²

(Title)

ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION

CHECK NUMBER	ON ACCOUNT OF U.S. TREASURY	CHECK NUMBER	ON (Name of bank)
CASH	DATE	PAYEE ³	
\$			
			PER
			TITLE

¹ When stated in foreign currency, insert name of currency.

² If the ability to certify and authority to approve are contained in one person, one signature only is necessary; otherwise the approving officer will sign in the space provided, over his official title.

³ When a voucher is recognized in the name of a company or corporation, the name of the person writing the company or corporate name, as well as the capacity in which he signs, must appear. For example: "John Doe Company, per John Smith, Secretary" or "Treasurer", as the case may be.

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PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

The information requested on this form is required under the provisions of 31 U.S.C. 82b and 82c, for the purpose of disbursing Federal money. The information requested is to identify the particular creditor and the amounts to be paid. Failure to furnish this information will hinder discharge of the payment obligation.

MAINE FOREST SERVICE INVOICE NUMBER: MEFPD-2022-007

FIRE NAME: NHS - Bemis

FIRE NUMBER: NH-NHS-000000

FIRE CODE: NHS

RESOURCE ORDER #: (attached)

INCIDENT DATES: May 17- 19, 2022

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name:</u>	<u>Regular Salary:</u>	<u>Overtime Salary:</u>	<u>Benefit Cost:</u>	<u>Total this person:</u>
BLACK	ALIESHA	\$725.04	\$634.34	\$815.06	\$2,174.44
ESTABROOK	LAUREN	\$826.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$826.95
HIGGINS	CORY	\$821.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$821.40
LIMERICK	BENJAMIN	\$757.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$757.50
CLEMENT	ADAM	\$777.70	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$777.70
WARNER	MICHELE	\$661.92	\$599.87	\$803.87	\$2,065.66
MCCARREN	DOROTHY	\$777.70	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$777.70

TOTAL COST THIS INVOICE: \$8,201.35

EXPENSES
INCIDENT:
FIRE NUMBER:
UNIT CODE:
INVOICE NUMBER:

Module #1 - NHS
NHS-Bemis
NH-NHS-000000
NHS
MEFPD-2022-007

Name	Transaction Date	Transaction Amount	Merchant Name
Aliesha Black	5/17/2022	\$69.00	Per-Diem
Aliesha Black	5/18/2022	\$31.00	Per-Diem
Aliesha Black	5/19/2022	\$69.00	Per-Diem
Lauren Estabook	5/17/2022	\$69.00	Per-Diem
Lauren Estabook	5/18/2022	\$31.00	Per-Diem
Lauren Estabook	5/19/2022	\$69.00	Per-Diem
Cory Higgins	5/17/2022	\$69.00	Per-Diem
Cory Higgins	5/18/2022	\$31.00	Per-Diem
Cory Higgins	5/19/2022	\$69.00	Per-Diem
Benjamin Limerick	5/17/2022	\$69.00	Per-Diem
Benjamin Limerick	5/18/2022	\$31.00	Per-Diem
Benjamin Limerick	5/19/2022	\$69.00	Per-Diem
Adam Clement	5/17/2022	\$69.00	Per-Diem
Adam Clement	5/18/2022	\$31.00	Per-Diem
Adam Clement	5/19/2022	\$69.00	Per-Diem
Michele Warner	5/17/2022	\$69.00	Per-Diem
Michele Warner	5/18/2022	\$31.00	Per-Diem
Michele Warner	5/19/2022	\$69.00	Per-Diem
Dorothy McCarren	5/17/2022	\$69.00	Per-Diem
Dorothy McCarren	5/18/2022	\$31.00	Per-Diem
Dorothy McCarren	5/19/2022	\$69.00	Per-Diem
Wex Card 046-198	05/17/2022	\$50.47	Circle K # 07210
Wex Card 046-198	05/19/2022	\$72.45	Circle K # 07210
Wex Card 183-2722	5/19/2022	\$77.08	Glen

TOTAL THIS INVOICE

\$1,383.00

<u>Engine Boss</u>	<u>Incident</u>	<u>Engine</u>	<u>Date:</u>	<u>Miles</u>	<u>Amount Billed</u>	
Black, Aliesha	Bemis - NHS	046-198	5/17/2022	146	\$81.76	
			5/18/2022	22	\$12.32	
			5/19/2022	22	\$12.32	
						\$106.40
Warner, Michele	Bemis - NHS	183-2722	5/17/2022	150	\$84.00	
			5/18/2022	22	\$12.32	
			5/19/2022	22	\$12.32	
						\$108.64
				<u>TOTAL:</u>	\$215.04	