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February 27, 2023

The Honorable Ken Weyler, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, the Department of Military Affairs and Veterans Services respectfully requests authorization to accept and expend additional Federal Funds in the amount of $2,904,000.00 from the Department of Veterans Affairs to fund the New Hampshire State Veterans Cemetery Columbarium Expansion. Effective upon Fiscal Committee of the General Court and Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds.**

Funds are to be budgeted in the following accounts:
02-12-12-121010-NEWXXXX Dept. of Military Affairs and Veterans Services-VC Expansion

Class	Description	FY2023 Appropriation	Requested Change	FY2023 Adjusted Budget
034-500161	Capital Projects	$0.00	$2,904,000.00	$2,904,000.00
	Totals:	$0.00	$2,904,000.00	$2,904,000.00
Source of Funds				
000-400338	Federal Fund	$0.00	($2,904,000.00)	($2,904,000.00)

EXPLANATION

The Department of Military Affairs and Veterans Services requests authorization to accept and expend additional Federal Funds in the amount of $2,904,000.00 for the purpose of Columbarium Expansion in the New Hampshire State Veterans Cemetery. Funding is awarded by the Department of Veterans Affairs. This project will consist of at least 2,800 niches to cover 10 years of demand for niche burials. Niches will be in granite columbarium structures consisting of 120 niches on each side (5 rows, 24 columns). Each columbarium structure is approximately 29-feet long, 4-feet wide, and 8-feet tall. Construction will include necessary roads, pavement, courtyards, landscaping, irrigation, and support infrastructure.

Class 034 - Capital Projects funds will be used to cover all design and construction fees for the New Hampshire State Veterans Cemetery Columbarium Expansion.

Your favorable action on this request would be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Warren M. Perry
Deputy Adjutant General
Department of Military Affairs and Veterans Services

FISCAL SITUATION 02-12-12-121010-NEWXXXX

FFY 2023 Additional Award to SFY 2023 Budget Appropriation	$2,904,000.00
Less: SFY 2023 Budget Appropriation	$0.00
Total Available Funds (Org. xxxx0000)	$2,904,000.00
This Request	$2,904,000.00

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October 3, 2022

Mr. George D. Eisenbach, Director
Veteran Cemetery Grants Program
Department of Veterans Affairs
National Cemetery Administration
Washington, DC 20420

Dear Mr. Eisenbach,

We were very pleased to receive, and accept, your October 1, 2022 letter informing us that the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), National Cemetery Administration (NCA) plans to award a grant to expand the New Hampshire State Veterans Cemetery in Boscawen, NH (Federal Application Identifier NH-21-07). Per our application, we estimate the grant to be valued at $2,904,000.

We understand that Mr. Steven Rogers will be working with us as the NCA Lead Project Manager. If either you or Mr. Rogers have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Cemetery Director, Shawn Buck at 603-796-2026 x 100 sbuck@nhsvc.com or me.

Sincerely,

Warren M. Perry
Deputy Adjutant General
The Department of Military Affairs and Veterans Services

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
NATIONAL CEMETERY ADMINISTRATION
WASHINGTON, DC 20420

October 1, 2022

COL (Ret) Warren M. Perry
Deputy Adjutant General
New Hampshire Department of Military Affairs and Veterans Services
1 Minuteman Way
Concord, New Hampshire 03301
By Email: warren.m.perry.nfg@mail.mil

Dear Mr. Perry:

I am pleased to let you know the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) plans to award a fiscal year (FY) 2023 grant for the **expansion** of the **New Hampshire State Cemetery in Boscawen, and Federal Application Identifier (FAI: NH-21-07)**. This VA grant opportunity will total up to **$2,904.000** but will not exceed the actual cost of construction as found by the final audit. **New Hampshire Department of Military Affairs and Veterans Services** agrees that it will use the grant to fund the construction of **columbarium niches, in-ground cremains, landscaping, irrigation, and supporting infrastructure**.

This is not a grant award notification. The Under Secretary for Memorial Affairs will send grant award notifications once they find the **New Hampshire Department of Military Affairs and Veterans Services** has met all grant requirements. By October 15, 2022, you must send me either an acceptance letter of this grant opportunity or a request to defer the project for FY 2023 consideration. If you accept this opportunity and later decide to defer, I must receive your deferral in writing no later than January 20, 2023.

Funds to design and construct any project aided under this program are contingent on **New Hampshire Department of Military Affairs and Veterans Services** compliance with all terms, conditions, and requirements, including the Environmental Assessment (EA) and National Historic Preservation Act. The State/ Tribe can find program requirements in 38 C.F.R. Part 39 and Forms listed in C.F.R. §39.31 and §39.34 on the Veterans Cemetery Grants Program Website.

Please contact Steven Rogers, Project Manager-Landscape Architect at 202-632-4387 or steven.rogers3@va.gov with any questions.

Sincerely,

George D. Eisenbach Jr.

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