

New Hampshire
 Department of Agriculture,
 Markets & Food

Shawn N. Jasper, Commissioner

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April 6, 2023

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the New Hampshire State Conservation Committee (SCC) to **retroactively** amend the grant agreement with the Hillsborough County Conservation District, New Hampshire, Vendor Code 154768 for the *Siergiewicz Lot Reclamation and Wildlife Restoration Project*, by extending the grant completion date from April 30, 2023 to April 30, 2024, with no change to the price limitation, effective upon Governor and Council approval. The original grant agreement was approved by Governor and Council on April 21, 2021 item #45. **100% Other Funds** – State Conservation Committee.

EXPLANATION

The Hillsborough County Conservation District received a grant for the purposes of creating wildlife habitat by reclaiming abandoned farm fields through the eradication of invasive species, creation and maintenance of herbaceous wildlife openings. This request is **retroactive** as the project was planned to be completed by April 30, 2023. Due to delays and resolving on going issues the project will be completed by April 30, 2024. The Hillsborough County Conservation District intends to complete the project within the requested grant extension period. The SCC is confident that the grantee possesses the necessary staff and resources to effectively carry out the duties imposed by this grant.

Respectfully submitted,



Shawn Jasper
 Commissioner

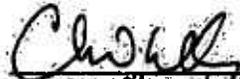
Amendment of Contract

The NH State Conservation Committee, Department of Agriculture, Markets and Foods and Hillsborough County Conservation District hereby mutually agree to amend the contract for *Siergiewicz Lot Reclamation and Wildlife Restoration Project* originally approved by the Governor and Executive Council on April 21, 2021 Item #45, as follows:

1. Amend General Provision 1.7, Completion Date, from "4/30/2023" to "4/30/2024"; and
2. All other terms and conditions of the original contract shall remain the same in full force and effect as originally set forth; and
3. This amendment is subject to approval by the Governor and Executive Council.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have set their hands.

Hillsborough County Conservation District


NAME: Christopher Connolly
Treasurer
Title

4/5/23
Date

Department of Agriculture, Markets and Foods


Shawn Jasper, Commissioner

4/7/23
Date

Approved as to form, substance, and execution:

Christopher G. Astin
Senior Assistant Attorney General

4/17/2023
Date

CERTIFICATE of AUTHORITY

1. Kathleen Ports (Certifying Officer Name) Associate Supervisor
(Certifying Officer Title) of the Hillsborough County Conservation District (Grantee Name)

do hereby certify that:

1. I am the duly elected Associate Supervisor (Certifying Officer Title)

2. At the meeting held on this date, the April 5, 2023 Hillsborough County Conservation District (Grantee Name) voted to accept New Hampshire State Conservation Committee funds and enter into a contract with the New Hampshire State Conservation Committee, Department of Agriculture, Markets and Foods.

or
2. The Hillsborough County Conservation District (Grantee Name) has agreed to accept New Hampshire State Conservation Committee funds and to enter into a contract with the NH State Conservation Committee, Department of Agriculture, Markets and Foods;

3. The Hillsborough County Conservation District (Grantee Name) further authorized the Treasurer (Officer Title) 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:

Christopher Connolly

Print (Officer Name)

Treasurer

Print (Officer Title)

6. I have hereunto set my hand as the

Kathleen Ports

Sign (Certifying Officer Name)

4/5/23

Date Signed:

Kathleen Ports

Print (Certifying Officer Name)

Associate Supervisor

Print (Certifying Officer Title)



HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Minutes

HCCD Board of Supervisors Meeting

April 5, 2023

Present: Eric Radlof – Chair, Chris Connolly – Treasurer, Kathleen Ports – Associate Supervisor, Kerry Rickrode – District Manager, Helen Castles – USDA NRCS, Kyle Quigley – UNH Cooperative Extension, Mike Gagnon – UNH Cooperative Extension

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Eric Radlof, Chair.

There was a motion to approve the 2/22 HCCD Board meeting minutes by Kathleen, seconded by Eric.

There was a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report presented from March by Kathleen, seconded by Chris.

Helen Castles provided an update from NRCS.

Kyle Quigley and Mike Gagnon provided an update from UNH Cooperative Extension.

Kerry Rickrode offered highlights from the District Manager's Update.

Kathleen made a motion to extend the 2021 Moose Plate Grant Siergiewicz Lot Farmland Reclamation Project for one year and authorize Chris Connolly to sign all associated documents, seconded by Eric, unanimously passed.

- Kerry has ordered the CU40 wood ash/lime spreader and it will be delivered to Brookdale.
- Board discussed potential new HCCD Board members. Kerry will contact Lauren Judd, Julia Steed Mawson and Dena Hoffman. Eric has talked with Chris Guida who seemed interested. Kerry will invite all prospects to the next Board meeting in May.

Eric made a motion to adjourn at 8:05 PM, seconded by Chris, unanimously passed.



CERTIFICATE OF COVERAGE

The New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange (Primex) 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 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 is entitled to the categories of coverage set forth below. In addition, Primex 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, including but not limited to the final and binding resolution of all claims and coverage disputes before the Primex 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. 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.

Participating Member: Hillsborough County Conservation District Chappell Professional Center 468 Route 13 South Milford, NH 03055	Member Number: 404	Company Affording Coverage: NH Public Risk Management Exchange - Primex Bow Brook Place 46 Donovan Street Concord, NH 03301-2624
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X	Type of Coverage	Effective Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Expiration Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Limits - NH Statutory Limits May Apply if Not
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	General Liability (Occurrence Form) Professional Liability (describe): <input type="checkbox"/> Claims Made <input type="checkbox"/> Occurrence	7/1/2022	7/1/2023	Each Occurrence: \$ 5,000,000 General Aggregate: \$5,000,000 Fire Damage (Any one fire): Med Exp (Any one person):
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Automobile Liability Deductible Comp and Coll: \$1,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Any auto	7/1/2022	7/1/2023	Combined Single Limit: (Each Accident) \$5,000,000 Aggregate: \$5,000,000
<input type="checkbox"/>	Workers' Compensation & Employers' Liability			Statutory: Each Accident: Disease - Each Employee: Disease - Policy Limit:
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Property (Special Risk includes Fire and Theft)	7/1/2022	7/1/2023	Blanket Limit: Replacement Cost (unless otherwise stated). Deductible: \$1,000

Description: Proof of Primex Member coverage only.

CERTIFICATE HOLDER:	Additional Covered Party	Loss Payee	Primex - NH Public Risk Management Exchange
NH State Conservation Committee PO Box 2042 Concord, NH 03302-2042			By: <i>Mary Beth Powell</i> Date: 11/9/2022 mpurcell@nhprimex.org Please direct inquiries to: Primex Claims/Coverage Services 603-228-2841 phone 603-228-3833 fax

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New Hampshire
Department of Agriculture,
Markets & Food

Shawn N. Jasper, Commissioner

April 21, 2021

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the New Hampshire State Conservation Committee (SCC) to enter into a grant with Hillsborough County Conservation District, Milford, NH, Vendor Code 154668, in the amount of \$14,953.00 for *Siergiewicz Lot Reclamation and Wildlife Restoration Project* in the Town of Hollis, Hillsborough County, effective upon Governor and Council approval through April 30, 2023. 100% Other Funds.

Funding is available in account, Soil Conservation, as follows with the authority to adjust encumbrances in each of the State fiscal years through the Budget Office if needed and justified, pending FY 22 & 23 budget approval.

Funding is available in the Conservation Number Plate account as follows:
02-18-18-184500-28600000 SOIL CONSERVATION

<u>OBJECT CLASS</u>	<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>FY 2022</u>	<u>FY 2023</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
073-500581	Grants - State	\$7,476.50	\$7,476.50	\$14,953.00

EXPLANATION

The State Conservation Committee (SCC) in fulfillment of its responsibilities under the Conservation Number Plate grant program, RSA 261:97-c III(a), wishes to provide grant funds to Hillsborough County Conservation District to perform certain tasks as enumerated in Exhibit B for the purposes of creating wildlife habitat by reclaiming abandoned farm fields through the eradication of invasive species, creation and maintenance of herbaceous wildlife openings. The SCC is confident that the grantee possesses the necessary staff and resources to effectively carry out the duties imposed by this grant.

Respectfully submitted,


Shawn N. Jasper
Commissioner

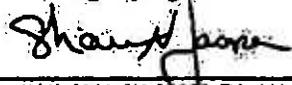
Notice: This agreement and all of its attachments shall become public upon submission to Governor and Executive Council for approval. Any information that is private, confidential or proprietary must be clearly identified to the agency and agreed to in writing prior to signing the contract.

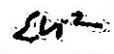
AGREEMENT

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

GENERAL PROVISIONS

I. IDENTIFICATION

1.1 State Agency Name State Conservation Committee		1.2 State Agency Address P.O. Box 2042 Concord, NH 03302	
1.3 Contractor Name Hillsborough County Conservation District Vendor Code #: 134668		1.4 Contractor Address 468 Route 13 South Milford, NH 03055	
1.5 Contractor Phone Number 603-321-3482	1.6 Account Number 2680-500581	1.7 Completion Date 4/30/2023	1.8 Price Limitation \$14,953.00
1.9 Contracting Officer for State Agency Deirdre Brickner-Wood, SCC Grant Administrator		1.10 State Agency Telephone Number 603-271-3551	
1.11 Contractor Signature  Date: 3/12/21		1.12 Name and Title of Contractor Signatory Eric Radlof Chairman	
1.13 State Agency Signature  Date: 3/18/21		1.14 Name and Title of State Agency Signatory Shawn N. Jasper Commissioner	
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: /s/ Stacie M. Moeser On: March 20, 2021			
1.17 Approval by the Governor and Executive Council (if applicable) G&C Item number: _____ G&C Meeting Date: _____			

Contractor Initials 
Date 3/12/21

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 effected 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 80:7c 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

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Date *3/11/21*

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, analytics, 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 91A 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 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**

There are no modifications, deletions or additions to the General Provision of this form.

**Exhibit B
Scope of Services**

The Hillsborough County Conservation District shall perform the following tasks as described below and detailed in the proposal titled *Siergiewicz Lot Reclamation and Wildlife Restoration Project* in the Town of Hollis, Hillsborough County, NH, dated September 10, 2020:

- Task 1. Complete the excavation and clearing in stands 5 & 7, and relocation of stumps creating a wildlife berm.
- Task 2. Complete brush hog mowing, vine cutting and treatment in cleared stands 5 & 7 to support wildlife.
- Task 3. Complete invasive species treatment in stands 5 & 7 to promote species for wildlife habitat.
- Task 4. Complete purchase and planting of a conservation seed mix in stands 5 & 7 to create herbaceous wildlife openings.
- Task 5. Complete annual mowing to prepare area for native planting in stands 5 & 7 to provide for Early Successional habitat management.
- Task 6.
 - a. Complete native planting purchase and installation in stands 5 & 7 to provide continuous food for wildlife.
 - b. Implement outreach and public awareness program, provide documentation of relevant publications. All outreach materials produced for public distribution shall include the NH State Conservation Committee Moose Plate logo and acknowledgment the project was funded by the NH State Conservation Committee Conservation Moose Plate Grant Program.
 - c. Provide at least one project photograph (JPG) for NH State Conservation Committee use.
 - d. Install and display, as appropriate to the project, the NH State Conservation Committee Moose Plate sign, provided by the NH State Conservation Committee. Provide a dated photograph of displayed sign.
 - e. Submit final report in the NH State Conservation Committee format provided. The final report and all attachments as instructed by the SCC.

Subcontract Provision

The Grantee may subcontract the services described in the Tasks to entities that are qualified and appropriately licensed to conduct such activities.

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

All services shall be performed to the satisfaction of the NH State Conservation Committee (SCC) before payment is made. All payments shall be made upon receipt and approval of stated outputs and completion of the project.

Payment shall be made in accordance with the following schedule based upon completion of specific tasks described in Exhibit B:

Upon Completion and SCC approval of Task 1	\$ 7,747.00
Upon Completion and SCC approval of Task 2	\$2,747.00
Upon Completion and SCC approval of Task 3	\$ 2,122.00
Upon Completion and SCC approval of Task 4	\$ 684.00
Upon Completion and SCC approval of Task 5	\$ 1,031.00
Upon Completion and SCC approval of Task 6	\$ 622.00
Total	\$14,953.00

Contractor Initials CVR
Date 5/11/21

CERTIFICATE of AUTHORITY

I, Melissa Blindow (Certifying Officer Name), Vice Chair
(Certifying Officer Title) of the Hillsborough County Conservation District (Grantee Name)
do hereby certify that:

1. I am the duly elected _____ (Certifying Officer Title);
2. At the meeting held on this date _____, the _____ (Grantee Name) voted to accept New Hampshire State Conservation Committee funds and enter into a contract with the New Hampshire State Conservation Committee, Department of Agriculture, Markets and Foods;
2. The Hillsborough County Conservation District (Grantee Name) has agreed to accept New Hampshire State Conservation Committee funds and to enter into a contract with the NH State Conservation Committee, Department of Agriculture, Markets and Foods;
3. The Hillsborough County Conservation District (Grantee Name) further authorized the Chairman (Officer Title) 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:

Eric Radlof
Print (Officer Name)
Chairman
Print (Officer Title)

6. I have hereunto set my hand as the
M. Blindow
Sign (Certifying Officer Name)
3/12/21
Date Signed

Melissa Blindow
Print (Certifying Officer Name)
Vice Chair
Print (Certifying Officer Title)



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Minutes HCCD Board of Supervisors Meeting March 10, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

Present: Eric Radlof – Chair, Melissa Blindow – Vice Chair, Chip Hardy – Supervisor, Tom Jones – Supervisor, Tom Dufresne – Associate Supervisor, Kerry Rickrode – District Manager, Mike Gagnon – UNH Cooperative Extension, Jessica Rock – USDA NRCS

There was a motion by Melissa to accept the minutes from the January 27th meeting as written, seconded by Tom Dufresne.

Treasurer's Report

- Kerry reviewed the financials from February with the Board.
- Treasurer's report was accepted by Tom Jones as presented, seconded by Tom Dufresne and filed.

NRCS Report – Jessica provided a written report.

- Jessica reported that the Field Office is operating at 25% capacity or below which equates to two people at a time in the office.
- Jameson started on 3/1 and they have been happy with his work so far. It's been great to have someone come on who already has prior experience.
- Two CAP payments were made this month. So far approximately \$80,000 worth of payments have been given during FY 2021. Additional forestry payments will be coming in soon.
- Staff is currently working on eligibility paperwork to meet the 3/18 deadline. They are on-track with a good amount of applications to have a successful round of funding.
- Still waiting for more information on CSP classic and EQIP incentives program sign-ups. A deadline has not been announced yet.

UNH Cooperative Extension Report

- Mike Gagnon reported that they have been given permission to hold outdoor programs up to 25 people. In the Fall they are expected to be able to hold indoor programs with small groups.
- 17 employees took the early retirement package; George, Jeff Schloss, Coos County Forester are among the group.
- UNH Coop. Extension is in good standing financially. No updates on hiring freezes.
- Three finalists have been selected for the Cheshire County Forester position.
- Mike has been busy participating in Caring for Your Forest five session webinar series partnering with the NH Timberland Owners Association. Topics included Tree ID, Woodlot Evaluations, Wildlife Habitat and more.
- Online Invasives Academy starts tomorrow night with 40 people registered. Invasives Ecology field videos were provided to the attendees to view ahead of time. Invasives Academy will last for five weeks every Thursday.
- 20 people attended a Pop-Up Early Successional and Invasives workshop at the Heald tract in partnership with SPNH.
- Mike has been heavily involved with pesticides certifications. Initial certification trainings will begin in the next couple of weeks. 42 people already participated in the Supervisory training which just happened. Licensing is complicated so Mike is working on a "cheat sheet".
- Woodlot site visits are slow right now but he has some scheduled for the spring.
- NRCS has been keeping Mike busy reviewing forest management plans.

District Manager's Report

- Kerry e-mailed a February 2021 District Manager update.

- Kerry shared highlights from her update regarding participating in the 2021 NACD virtual annual meeting, provided a summary of the NHACD quarterly Board meeting, provided an update on the 2021 spring plant sale fundraiser and shared the joint maple and conservation event on 3/12 at Connolly Brothers Dairy Farm.
- Tom Dufresne plans to attend the event on 3/12. Melissa and Max will try to attend depending on their availability and may bring Dan King. Trevor Hardy will be attending on behalf of the Hillsborough County Farm Bureau.
- Kerry shared with the Board the 2021 Moose Plate Grant application that was approved for the Siergiewicz Lot Reclamation and Wildlife Restoration project in Hollis. There was a motion to accept the Moose Plate grant funds by Melissa Blindow, seconded by Chip Hardy.
- Board discussed holding a virtual Annual meeting in November/December timeframe. Kerry will be participating in a training led by Cheshire County Conservation District who held a successful event last year.
- Board discussed a rental rate for the new No-till transplanter equipment we were gifted last year. Cheshire and Strafford County also have the same equipment. Chip suggested charging \$20-\$25/acre as most farmers will use it on 1-2 acres. Kerry will share this information with the other two Districts and see if they can agree on charging the same amount.
- Board discussed the Legacy Awards. Kerry shared that it sounds like many of the Districts plan to make a selection within their Boards. Kerry will send the online form to the Board. Nominations are due 3/31.
- Kerry will strive to put out an e-newsletter once per month pending there is content to share.

Other Business

- Kerry shared a request for SPI reports came in for Meadowsend Timberland and Scooter's Farm.
- Board would like to review the MOU's in place at the next Board meeting. Kerry will add this to the agenda and also add to the timeline. Melissa suggested making a list of other organizations HCCD could be partnering with and create a chart to see how they all can work together efficiently.

There was a motion to adjourn at 8:00 PM.



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			General Aggregate	\$ 5,000,000
			Fire Damage (Any one fire)	
			Med Exp (Any one person)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Automobile Liability Deductible: Comp and Col: \$1,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Any auto	7/1/2020	7/1/2021	Combined Single Limit (Each Accident)	\$5,000,000
			Aggregate	\$5,000,000
<input type="checkbox"/> Workers' Compensation & Employers' Liability			Statutory	
			Each Accident	
			Disease - Each Employee	
			Disease - Policy Limit	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Property (Special Risk Includes Fire and Theft)	7/1/2020	7/1/2021	Blanket Limit, Replacement Cost (unless otherwise stated)	Deductible: \$1,000

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			By: <i>Kate Sel Poud</i>
NH State Conservation Committee PO Box 2042 Concord, NH 03302-2042			Date: 3/12/2021 mources@nhprimex.org
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Workers' Compensation & Employers' Liability	1/1/2021	1/1/2022	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Statutory <input type="checkbox"/> Each Accident: \$2,000,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Disease - Each Employee: \$2,000,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Disease - Policy Limit
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