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# New Hampshire Fish and Game Department

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March 31, 2023

The Honorable Ken Weyler, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court

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

**REQUESTED ACTION**

1. Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department (NHFG) requests authorization to accept and expend $1,499,970 in federal funds from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) for the purposes related to restoring and repurposing the former Emery Estate at Glenn's Cove Wildlife Management Area (WMA) to enhance public access and fulfill programmatic construction needs for the Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2023. 100% Federal Funds.

2. Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, and contingent upon the approval of Requested Action #1, the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department (NHFG) requests authorization to accept and expend $200,000 in private funds from the Great Bay Stewards (GBS) for the purposes related to restoring and repurposing the former Emery Estate at Glenn's Cove Wildlife Management Area (WMA) to enhance public access and fulfill programmatic construction needs for the Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2023. 100% Agency Income.

Funds to be budgeted as follows:

| GBNERRPAC2022 | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 03-75-75-753020-71590000 | | | | | | |
| Fiscal Year 2023 | | | | | | |
| | **Expense** | **Class Description** | **Revenue** | **Current** | **Requested Action** | **Adjusted** |
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| 000 | | FEDERAL FUNDS | 404233-16 | $765,501 | $1,499,970 | $2,265,471 |
| 00S | | FISH and GAME FUNDS | 000020 | 488,146 | 0 | 488,146 |
| 005 | | PRIVATE FUNDS | 402756-20 | 0 | 200,000 | 200,000 |
| **Total** | | | | **$1,253,647** | **$1,699,970** | **$2,953,617** |
| **Expense** | | | | | | |
| 020 | 500200 | CURRENT EXPENSES | | 10,107 | 0 | 10,107 |
| 041 | 500801 | AUDIT FUND SET ASIDE | 404233 | 765 | 1,500 | 2,265 |
| 046 | 500463 | CONSULTANTS | 404233/402756 | 1,132,775 | 1,698,470 | 2,831,245 |
| 047 | 500240 | OWN FORCES | | 10,000 | 0 | 10,000 |
| 103 | 502664 | CONTRACT FOR OP | | 100,000 | 0 | 100,000 |
| **Total** | | | | **$1,253,647** | **$1,699,970** | **$2,953,617** |

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**EXPLANATION**

A large property was acquired by NHFG in 2000 that included a 12-acre life estate that would revert to NHFG management upon the death of the family living there. The family member passed away in the spring of 2018, and the farmhouse, garage, barn, five apartments, three cottages and associated sheds that were on the land reverted to NHFG. Most of the buildings are in poor or very poor condition, leaving the agency with the responsibility of cleaning up the area, removing all hazards, and determining what to do with the structures. The property is a part of a block of land on the eastern side of Great Bay now called Glenn's Cove Wildlife Management Area. The goal of these funds is to restore buildings that can be of use to NHFG and the Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, remove buildings that are not safe or needed, and restore the site to be suitable for public access.

Each year, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) holds a competition for federal funds to support construction and land acquisition projects that support the 29 National Estuarine Research Reserves around the country. A grant of $999,595 in federal funds from NOAA was awarded to New Hampshire Fish and Game for this project in 2021. The original federal award plus match amount of $1,394,928 was added to the FY21 appropriation with Fiscal Committee and Governor Council approval.

As is required, NHFG worked with the Department of Administrative Services to hire an engineering and design firm. The firm prepared detailed engineering plans, drawings, permits and cost estimates. It became clear that the original grant would not cover the required cost. Therefore, the Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve applied for and was successful in being awarded a second federal award from the NOAA for $1,499,970 which is being matched by the Great Bay Stewards. The Great Bay Stewards are the official friends group to the Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve and have raised $200,000 toward this project that is being donated toward this project through New Hampshire Fish and Game.

Funds are being budgeted in Class 041- Audit Set Aside to comply with RSA 124:16 that requires all agencies which receive federal funds to set aside a percentage of the federal revenue amount received to pay for financial and compliance audits.

Funds are being budgeted in Class 046- Consultants to support a contract to complete all of the site work, utilities, construction of a picnic pavilion and bathrooms, construction of a garage, and the relocation of an existing structure. Class 046 will also be used to support the Department of Administrative Services Public Works Division oversight of the project that is required by the state.

If Federal and/or Other Funds are no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support this project.

Respectfully submitted,

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Kathy Ann LaBonte
Chief, Business Division

FORM CD-450
(REV 10/18)

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

# FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AWARD

☒ GRANT ☐ COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

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|---|---|
| RECIPIENT NAME<br>NEW HAMPSHIRE FISH & GAME | FEDERAL AWARD ID NUMBER<br>NA22NOS4200195 |
| | PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE<br>10/01/2022-09/30/2025 |
| STREET ADDRESS<br>11 HAZEN DR | FEDERAL SHARE OF COST<br>$1,499,970.00 |
| CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE<br>CONCORD NH 03301-6502 | RECIPIENT SHARE OF COST<br>$264,701.00 |
| AUTHORITY<br>16 U.S.C. 1461 et seq. | TOTAL ESTIMATED COST<br>$1,764,671.00 |

CFDA NO. AND NAME

11.420 Coastal Zone Management Estuarine Research Reserves

PROJECT TITLE

Great Bay NERR Glenn Cove Public Access Project

**This Award Document (Form CD-450) signed by the Grants Officer constitutes an obligation of Federal funding. By signing this Form CD-450, the Recipient agrees to comply with the Award provisions checked below and attached. Upon acceptance by the Recipient, the Form CD-450 must be signed by an authorized representative of the Recipient and returned to the Grants Officer. If not signed and returned without modification by the Recipient within 30 days of receipt, the Grants Officer may unilaterally withdraw this Award offer and de-obligate the funds.**

☒ DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

☐ R & D AWARD

☐ FEDERAL-WIDE RESEARCH TERMS AND CONDITIONS, AS ADOPTED BY THE DEPT. OF COMMERCE

☒ BUREAU SPECIFIC ADMINISTRATIVE STANDARD AWARD CONDITIONS

☒ SPECIFIC AWARD CONDITIONS

☒ LINE ITEM BUDGET

☒ 2 CFR PART 200, UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO 2 CFR § 1327.101

☐ 48 CFR PART 31, CONTRACT COST PRINCIPLES AND PROCEDURES

☒ DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PRE-AWARD NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR GRANTS AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS (REF: 79 FR78390)

☐ MULTI-YEAR AWARD. PLEASE SEE THE MULTI-YEAR SPECIFIC AWARD CONDITION.

☒ OTHER(S):

This award is being made under competitive Funding Opportunity Number NOAA-NOS-OCM-2022-2007068 posted at Grants.gov on 10/26/2021.

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| SIGNATURE OF DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE GRANTS OFFICER<br>Jewel Linzey | DATE<br>09/07/2022 |
| PRINTED NAME, PRINTED TITLE AND SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED RECIPIENT OFFICIAL<br>Mr. Randy Curtis | DATE<br>09/27/2022 |