

The State of New Hampshire
Department of Environmental Services

Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

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March 31, 2023

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) to enter into grant agreements with the following entities, for a total of \$58,228 to fund exotic aquatic plant control activities, effective upon Governor and Council approval, through December 31, 2023. 40% General Funds and 60% Lake Restoration Funds.

Vendor Name	Waterbody/Town/State	Vendor #	Grant Amount
Town of Barnstead	Suncook River/Barnstead/NH	177211-B001	\$13,998
Town of Freedom	Danforth Ponds/Freedom/NH	159865-B001	\$19,650
Town of Hudson	Robinson and Otternic Ponds/Hudson/NH	177415-B001	\$11,600
Town of Lyme	Post Pond/Lyme/NH	154427-B001	\$12,980
		Grand Total	\$58,228

Funds are available in the following account.

03-44-44-442010-1430-073-500580

Dept. Environmental Services, Lakes Restoration Program, Grants-Nonfederal

FY 2023

\$58,228

EXPLANATION

NHDES requests approval to enter into grant agreements with the towns and in the amounts outlined in the table above to provides funds to address exotic aquatic plants in the respective waterbodies. Exotic aquatic plants have been a problem in the above-listed waterbodies for several years. NHDES grant funds will be used for management activities to control these exotic aquatic plants in 2023. The primary purpose of New Hampshire's Exotic Aquatic Plant Program is to prevent the introduction and further dispersal of exotic aquatic weeds and to manage or eradicate exotic aquatic weed infestations in the

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surface waters of the state (RSA 487:17, II).

The program, initiated in 1981, has five focus areas: 1) Prevention of new infestations; 2) Monitoring for early detection of new infestations to facilitate rapid control activities; 3) Control of new and established infestations; 4) Research towards new control methods with the goal of reducing or eliminating infested areas; and 5) Regional cooperation.

NHDES received 51 requests for funding to control exotic aquatic plant growth in 2023. Please refer to Attachment B for a listing of projects that are identified to receive funding.

These agreements have been approved by the Office of the Attorney General as to form, execution, and content.

We respectfully request your approval.

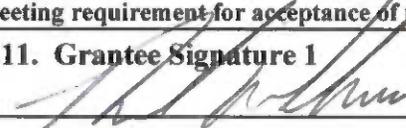


Robert R. Scott, Commissioner

GRANT AGREEMENT

The State of New Hampshire and the Grantee hereby
Mutually agree as follows:
GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. Identification and Definitions.

1.1. State Agency Name NH Department of Environmental Services		1.2. State Agency Address 29 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH 03302-0095	
1.3. Grantee Name Town of Barnstead		1.4. Grantee Address 108 S. Barnstead Rd, PO Box 11 Center Barnstead, NH 03225	
1.5 Grantee Phone # 603-269-4071	1.6 Account Number 442010-1430-073	1.7. Completion Date December 31, 2023	1.8. Grant Limitation \$13,998
1.9. Grant Officer for State Agency Amy P. Smagula		1.10. State Agency Telephone Number 603-271-2248	
If Grantee is a municipality or village district: "By signing this form we certify that we have complied with any public meeting requirement for acceptance of this grant, including if applicable RSA 31:95-b."			
1.11. Grantee Signature 1 		1.12. Name & Title of Grantee Signor 1 Richard Therrien, Chairman, BOS	
Grantee Signature 2		Name & Title of Grantee Signor 2	
Grantee Signature 3		Name & Title of Grantee Signor 3	
1.13 State Agency Signature(s) 		1.14. Name & Title of State Agency Signor(s) Robert R. Scott, Commissioner	
1.15. Approval by Attorney General (Form, Substance and Execution) (if G & C approval required)			
By: 		Assistant Attorney General, On: 4/7/2023	
1.16. Approval by Governor and Council (if applicable)			
By:		On: / /	

2. SCOPE OF WORK: In exchange for grant funds provided by the State of New Hampshire, acting through the Agency identified in block 1.1 (hereinafter referred to as "the State"), the Grantee identified in block 1.3 (hereinafter referred to as "the Grantee"), shall perform that work identified and more particularly described in the scope of work attached hereto as EXHIBIT B (the scope of work being hereinafter referred to as "the Project").

3. **AREA COVERED.** Except as otherwise specifically provided for herein, the Grantee shall perform the Project in, and with respect to, the State of New Hampshire.
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- 4.2. Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, the Project, including all reports required by this Agreement, shall be completed in ITS entirety prior to the date in block 1.7 (hereinafter referred to as "the Completion Date").
5. **GRANT AMOUNT: LIMITATION ON AMOUNT: VOUCHERS: PAYMENT.**
- 5.1. The Grant Amount is identified and more particularly described in EXHIBIT C, attached hereto.
- 5.2. The manner of, and schedule of payment shall be as set forth in EXHIBIT C.
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- 5.4. The payment by the State of the Grant amount shall be the only, and the complete payment to the Grantee for all expenses, of whatever nature, incurred by the Grantee in the performance hereof, and shall be the only, and the complete, compensation to the Grantee for the Project. The State shall have no liabilities to the Grantee other than the Grant Amount.
- 5.5. Notwithstanding anything 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 Grant limitation set forth in block 1.8 of these general provisions.
6. **COMPLIANCE BY GRANTEE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS.** In connection with the performance of the Project, the Grantee shall comply with all statutes, laws regulations, and orders of federal, state, county, or municipal authorities which shall impose any obligations or duty upon the Grantee, including the acquisition of any and all necessary permits and RSA 31-95-b.
7. **RECORDS and ACCOUNTS.**
- 7.1. Between the Effective Date and the date seven (7) years after the Completion Date, unless otherwise required by the grant terms or the Agency, the Grantee shall keep detailed accounts of all expenses incurred in connection with the Project, including, but not limited to, costs of administration, transportation, insurance, telephone calls, and clerical materials and services. Such accounts shall be supported by receipts, invoices, bills and other similar documents.
- 7.2. Between the Effective Date and the date seven (7) years after the Completion Date, unless otherwise required by the grant terms or the Agency pursuant to subparagraph 7.1, at any time during the Grantee's normal business hours, and as often as the State shall demand, the Grantee shall make available to the State all records pertaining to matters covered by this Agreement. The Grantee shall permit the State to audit, examine, and reproduce such records, and to make audits of all contracts, invoices, materials, payrolls, records of personnel, data (as that term is hereinafter defined), and other information relating to all matters covered by this Agreement. As used in this paragraph, "Grantee" includes all persons, natural or fictional, affiliated with, controlled by, or under common ownership with, the entity identified as the Grantee in block 1.3 of these provisions
8. **PERSONNEL.**
- 8.1. The Grantee shall, at its own expense, provide all personnel necessary to perform the Project. The Grantee warrants that all personnel engaged in the Project shall be qualified to perform such Project, and shall be properly licensed and authorized to perform such Project under all applicable laws.
- 8.2. The Grantee shall not hire, and it shall not permit any subcontractor, subgrantee, or other person, firm or corporation with whom it is engaged in a combined effort to perform the Project, to hire any person who has a contractual relationship with the State, or who is a State officer or employee, elected or appointed.
- 8.3. The Grant Officer shall be the representative of the State hereunder. In the event of any dispute hereunder, the interpretation of this Agreement by the Grant Officer, and his/her decision on any dispute, shall be final.
9. **DATA: RETENTION OF DATA: ACCESS.**
- 9.1. 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, paper, and documents, all whether finished or unfinished.
- 9.2. Between the Effective Date and the Completion Date the Grantee shall grant to the State, or any person designated by it, unrestricted access to all data for examination, duplication, publication, translation, sale, disposal, or for any other purpose whatsoever.
- 9.3. No data shall be subject to copyright in the United States or any other country by anyone other than the State.
- 9.4. On and after the Effective Date 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, whichever shall first occur.
- 9.5. The State, and anyone it shall designate, shall have unrestricted authority to publish, disclose, distribute and otherwise use, in whole or in part, all data.
10. **CONDITIONAL NATURE OR AGREEMENT.** Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, all obligations of the State hereunder, including, without limitation, the continuance of payments hereunder, are contingent upon the availability or continued appropriation of funds, and in no event shall the State be liable for any payments hereunder in excess of such available or appropriated funds. In the event of a reduction or termination of those funds, the State shall have the right to withhold payment until such funds become available, if ever, and shall have the right to terminate this Agreement immediately upon giving the Grantee notice of such termination.
11. **EVENT OF DEFAULT: REMEDIES.**
- 11.1. Any one or more of the following acts or omissions of the Grantee shall constitute an event of default hereunder (hereinafter referred to as "Events of Default"):
- 11.1.1 Failure to perform the Project satisfactorily or on schedule; or
- 11.1.2 Failure to submit any report required hereunder; or
- 11.1.3 Failure to maintain, or permit access to, the records required hereunder; or
- 11.1.4 Failure to perform any of the other covenants and conditions of this Agreement.
- 11.2. Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default, the State may take any one, or more, or all, of the following actions:
- 11.2.1 Give the Grantee 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 remedied, terminate this Agreement, effective two (2) days after giving the Grantee notice of termination; and
- 11.2.2 Give the Grantee 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 Grant Amount which would otherwise accrue to the Grantee during the period from the date of such notice until such time as the State determines that the Grantee has cured the Event of Default shall never be paid to the Grantee; and
- 11.2.3 Set off against any other obligation the State may owe to the Grantee any damages the State suffers by reason of any Event of Default; and
- 11.2.4 Treat the agreement as breached and pursue any of its remedies at law or in equity, or both.
12. **TERMINATION.**
- 12.1. In the event of any early termination of this Agreement for any reason other than the completion of the Project, the Grantee shall deliver to the Grant Officer, not later than fifteen (15) days after the date of termination, a report (hereinafter referred to as the "Termination Report") describing in detail all Project Work performed, and the Grant Amount earned, to and including the date of termination.
- 12.2. In the event of Termination under paragraphs 10 or 12.4 of these general provisions, the approval of such a Termination Report by the State shall entitle the Grantee to receive that portion of the Grant amount earned to and including the date of termination.
- 12.3. In the event of Termination under paragraphs 10 or 12.4 of these general provisions, the approval of such a Termination Report by the State shall in no event relieve the Grantee from any and all liability for damages sustained or incurred by the State as a result of the Grantee's breach of its obligations hereunder.
- 12.4. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, either the State or, except where notice default has been given to the Grantee hereunder, the Grantee, may terminate this Agreement without cause upon thirty (30) days written notice.
13. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST.** No officer, member of employee of the Grantee, and no representative, officer or employee of the State of New Hampshire or of the governing body of the locality or localities in which the Project is to be performed, who exercises any functions or responsibilities in the review or

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- approval of the undertaking or carrying out of such Project, shall participate in any decision relating to this Agreement which affects his or her personal interest or the interest of any corporation, partnership, or association in which he or she is directly or indirectly interested, nor shall he or she have any personal or pecuniary interest, direct or indirect, in this Agreement or the proceeds thereof.
14. **GRANTEE'S RELATION TO THE STATE.** In the performance of this Agreement the Grantee, its employees, and any subcontractor or subgrantee of the Grantee are in all respects independent contractors, and are neither agents nor employees of the State. Neither the Grantee nor any of its officers, employees, agents, members, subcontractors or subgrantees, shall have authority to bind the State nor are they entitled to any of the benefits, workmen's compensation or emoluments provided by the State to its employees.
 15. **ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTS.** The Grantee shall not assign, or otherwise transfer any interest in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the State. None of the Project Work shall be subcontracted or subgranted by the Grantee other than as set forth in Exhibit B without the prior written consent of the State.
 16. **INDEMNIFICATION.** The Grantee shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State, its officers and employees, from and against any and all losses suffered by the State, its officers and employees, and any and all claims, liabilities or penalties asserted against the State, its officers and employees, by or on behalf of any person, on account of, based on, resulting from, arising out of (or which may be claimed to arise out of) the acts or omissions of the Grantee or subcontractor, or subgrantee or other agent of the Grantee. 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 shall survive the termination of this agreement.
 17. **INSURANCE.**
 - 17.1 The Grantee shall, at its own expense, obtain and maintain in force, or shall require any subcontractor, subgrantee or assignee performing Project work to obtain and maintain in force, both for the benefit of the State, the following insurance:
 - 17.1.1 Statutory workers' compensation and employees liability insurance for all employees engaged in the performance of the Project, and
 - 17.1.2 General liability insurance against all claims of bodily injuries, death or property damage, in amounts not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate for bodily injury or death any one incident, and \$500,000 for property damage in any one incident; and
 - 17.2. The policies described in subparagraph 17.1 of this paragraph shall be the standard form employed in the State of New Hampshire, issued by underwriters acceptable to the State, and authorized to do business in the State of New Hampshire. Grantee shall furnish to the State, certificates 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.
 18. **WAIVER OF BREACH.** 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, or any subsequent Event. No express waiver of any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of any provisions hereof. No such failure of waiver 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 default on the part of the Grantee.
 19. **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 first above given.
 20. **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 Council of the State of New Hampshire, if required or by the signing State Agency.
 21. **CONSTRUCTION OF AGREEMENT AND TERMS.** This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the law of the State of New Hampshire, and is binding upon and inures to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assignees. The captions and contents of the "subject" blank are used only as a matter of convenience, and are not to be considered a part of this Agreement or to be used in determining the intend of the parties hereto.
 22. **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.
 23. **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 relating hereto.
 24. **SPECIAL PROVISIONS.** The additional or modifying provisions set forth in Exhibit A hereto are incorporated as part of this agreement.

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**EXHIBIT A
SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

There are no special provisions.

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**EXHIBIT B
SCOPE OF SERVICES
TOWN OF BARNSTEAD**

1. The Town of Barnstead is the grantee for this project. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) is referred to as the "state." Amy P. Smagula of the Watershed Management Bureau is the grant officer for the state.
2. Variable milfoil, an invasive aquatic plant, has become a nuisance problem in various portions of waterbodies in the Town of Barnstead, and the grantee is seeking grant funds to assist in control efforts in 2023.
3. The grantee shall ensure that the contractors adhere to the following project-specific tasks:

For herbicide treatment in 2023, the grantee will ensure that SÖLitude Lake Management performs the following tasks:

- Task 1 Prepare and file Special Permit application with NH DPC (inclusive of the required abutter notifications, publication of newspaper notices and all costs associated with advertising and attending a public hearing, if required).
- Task 2 Perform chemical treatment of the subject waterbody per the bid specifications, inclusive of all labor, chemical, and equipment costs.
- Task 3 Conduct pre- and post-treatment surveys, perform post-treatment herbicide residue sample collection as required by permit, and submit the required written reporting to the State per the bid specifications.

For the diver work in 2023, the grantee will ensure that the diver(s) perform(s) the following tasks:

- Task 1 Notify the NHDES Exotic Species Program of the scope and timing of the project, and how the materials removed from the pond will be disposed of, and the names of the divers performing the work, at least two weeks before the work is scheduled to begin. Divers performing this work must be certified Weed Control Divers in New Hampshire.
 - Task 2 Notify NHDES within 5 business days of when the work is completed by submitting daily dive reports for work that was performed, per the reporting examples provided in the Weed Control Diver course.
4. NHDES will provide monetary support to you as outlined in Exhibit C.

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Should the cost of projects be lower than the bids for those projects, remaining grant funds may be used to match costs associated with other NHDES approved exotic aquatic plant control projects in the above referenced waterbody.

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**EXHIBIT C
PAYMENT TERMS
TOWN OF BARNSTEAD**

Payments shall be made by NHDES to the grantee upon approval of stated outputs and verification of the value of completed work through submittal of invoices for services rendered. NHDES will pay the grantee up to \$13,998, within 30 days of receiving the invoice(s) for the activities outlined in Exhibit B.

The billing address for invoices and all other correspondence shall be as follows:

NH Department of Environmental Services
29 Hazen Drive, PO Box 95
Concord, NH 03302-0095
Attn: Amy Smagula, Watershed Management Bureau

Invoices may also be emailed to Amy.P.Smagula@des.nh.gov, upon receipt from the vendor.

Invoices shall be approved by the Grant Officer before payment is processed.

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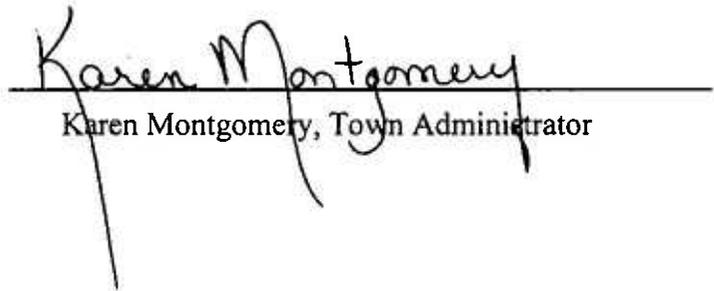
CERTIFICATE

I, Richard Therrien, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Town of Barnstead, do hereby certify that:

- (1) I am the duly elected Chairman;
- (2) at the meeting held on February 7th, 2023, the Board of Selectmen voted to accept NHDES funds and to enter into a contract with the Department of Environmental Services;
- (3) the Board of Selectmen Town of Barnstead further authorized the Chairman of the Board 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:

Richard Therrien

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as the Town Administrator of the Town of Barnstead, this 10th day of February, 2023.


Karen Montgomery, Town Administrator

**Attachment A
Budget Estimates
TOWN OF BARNSTEAD**

HERBICIDE

Item/Service	Cost
Permitting	\$1,580
Treatment (labor, herbicide & posting)	\$7,365
Residue Sampling	\$2,300
Post-Treatment Survey	\$900
State Reporting	\$850
Total	\$12,995*

*NHDES will pay up to 50% of the total project cost up to \$6,498.

DIVER/DIVER-ASSISTED SUCTION HARVESTING

Item/Service	Cost
Exotic Aquatic Plant Removal Services and Disposal of Harvested Materials	\$15,000
Total	\$15,000*

*NHDES will pay up to 50% of the total project cost up to \$7,500.



CERTIFICATE OF COVERAGE

The New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange (Primex³) 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, Primex³ is authorized to provide pooled risk management programs established for the benefit of political subdivisions in the State of New Hampshire.

Each member of Primex³ is entitled to the categories of coverage set forth below. In addition, Primex³ 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 Primex³, including but not limited to the final and binding resolution of all claims and coverage disputes before the Primex³ 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 Primex³. 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: Town of Barnstead P.O. Box 11 Center Barnstead, NH 03225	Member Number: 112	Company Affording Coverage: NH Public Risk Management Exchange - Primex ³ Bow Brook Place 46 Donovan Street Concord, NH 03301-2624
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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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Workers' Compensation & Employers' Liability	7/1/2022	7/1/2023	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Statutory	
			Each Accident	\$2,000,000
			Disease - Each Employee	\$2,000,000
			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

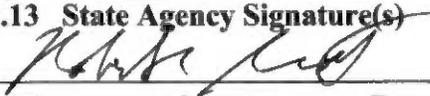
Description: Proof of Primex Member coverage only. Pollution and hazardous waste related liabilities, expenses and claims are excluded from coverage in the coverage document.

CERTIFICATE HOLDER:	Additional Covered Party	Loss Payee	Primex³ - NH Public Risk Management Exchange By: <i>Mary Beth Purcell</i> Date: 3/22/2023 mpurcell@nhprimex.org
State of New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Watershed Management Bureau 29 Hazen Drive., PO Box 95 Concord, NH 03302-0095			Please direct inquires to: Primex³ Claims/Coverage Services 603-225-2841 phone 603-228-3833 fax

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By: 		Assistant Attorney General, On: 4/7/2023	
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Grantee Initials

Date

[Signature]
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- approval of the undertaking or carrying out of such Project, shall participate in any decision relating to this Agreement which affects his or her personal interest or the interest of any corporation, partnership, or association in which he or she is directly or indirectly interested, nor shall he or she have any personal or pecuniary interest, direct or indirect, in this Agreement or the proceeds thereof.
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- 17.1 The Grantee shall, at its own expense, obtain and maintain in force, or shall require any subcontractor, subgrantee or assignee performing Project work to obtain and maintain in force, both for the benefit of the State, the following insurance:
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- 17.1.2 General liability insurance against all claims of bodily injuries, death or property damage, in amounts not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate for bodily injury or death any one incident, and \$500,000 for property damage in any one incident; and
- 17.2. The policies described in subparagraph 17.1 of this paragraph shall be the standard form employed in the State of New Hampshire, issued by underwriters acceptable to the State, and authorized to do business in the State of New Hampshire. Grantee shall furnish to the State, certificates 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.
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19. **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 first above given.
20. **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 Council of the State of New Hampshire, if required or by the signing State Agency.
21. **CONSTRUCTION OF AGREEMENT AND TERMS.** This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the law of the State of New Hampshire, and is binding upon and inures to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assignees. The captions and contents of the "subject" blank are used only as a matter of convenience, and are not to be considered a part of this Agreement or to be used in determining the intent of the parties hereto.
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23. **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 relating hereto.
24. **SPECIAL PROVISIONS.** The additional or modifying provisions set forth in Exhibit A hereto are incorporated as part of this agreement.

Grantee Initials MA
Date 1/25/23

**EXHIBIT A
SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

There are no special provisions.

Initials: 
Date: 1-25-2023

**EXHIBIT B
SCOPE OF SERVICES
DANFORTH PONDS**

1. The Town of Freedom is the grantee for this project. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) is referred to as the "state." Amy P. Smagula of the Watershed Management Bureau is the grant officer for the state.
2. Variable milfoil, an invasive aquatic plant, has become a nuisance problem in various portions of Danforth Ponds, and the grantee is seeking grant funds to assist in control efforts in 2023.
3. The grantee shall ensure that the contractors adhere to the following project-specific tasks:

For herbicide treatment in 2023, the grantee will ensure that SŌLitude Lake Management performs the following tasks:

- Task 1 Prepare and file Special Permit application with NH DPC (inclusive of the required abutter notifications, publication of newspaper notices and all costs associated with advertising and attending a public hearing, if required).
- Task 2 Perform chemical treatment of the subject waterbody per the bid specifications, inclusive of all labor, chemical, and equipment costs.
- Task 3 Conduct pre- and post-treatment surveys, perform post-treatment herbicide residue sample collection as required by permit, and submit the required written reporting to the State per the bid specifications.

For the diver work in 2023, the grantee will ensure that the diver(s) perform(s) the following tasks:

- Task 1 Notify the NHDES Exotic Species Program of the scope and timing of the project, and how the materials removed from the pond will be disposed of, and the names of the divers performing the work, at least two weeks before the work is scheduled to begin. Divers performing this work must be certified Weed Control Divers in New Hampshire.
 - Task 2 Notify NHDES within 5 business days of when the work is completed by submitting daily dive reports for work that was performed, per the reporting examples provided in the Weed Control Diver course.
4. NHDES will provide monetary support to you as outlined in Exhibit C.

Initials: 
Date: 1/25/23

Should the cost of projects be lower than the bids for those projects, remaining grant funds may be used to match costs associated with other NHDES approved exotic aquatic plant control projects in the above referenced waterbody.

Initials: md
Date: 1/25/23

**EXHIBIT C
PAYMENT TERMS
DANFORTH PONDS**

Payments shall be made by NHDES to the grantee upon approval of stated outputs and verification of the value of completed work through submittal of invoices for services rendered. NHDES will pay the grantee up to \$19,650, within 30 days of receiving the invoice(s) for the activities outlined in Exhibit B.

The billing address for invoices and all other correspondence shall be as follows:

NH Department of Environmental Services
29 Hazen Drive, PO Box 95
Concord, NH 03302-0095
Attn: Amy Smagula, Watershed Management Bureau

Invoices may also be emailed to Amy.P.Smagula@des.nh.gov, upon receipt from the vendor.

Invoices shall be approved by the Grant Officer before payment is processed.

Initials: CSA
Date: 1/25/23

CERTIFICATE

I, A. Elizabeth Priebe, Town Clerk of the Town of Freedom, do hereby certify that:

- (1) I am the duly elected Town Clerk;
- (2) At the meeting held on January ~~24~~²⁵, 2023, the Town of Freedom voted to accept NHDES funds and to enter into a contract with the Department of Environmental Services;
- (3) The Town of Freedom further authorized the Board of Selectmen 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:

Melissa M. Florio

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as the Town Clerk of the Town of Freedom, this 25th day of January, 2023.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "A. Elizabeth Priebe", is written over a horizontal line.

A. Elizabeth Priebe, Town Clerk



CERTIFICATE OF COVERAGE

The New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange (Primex³) 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, Primex³ is authorized to provide pooled risk management programs established for the benefit of political subdivisions in the State of New Hampshire.

Each member of Primex³ is entitled to the categories of coverage set forth below. In addition, Primex³ 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 Primex³, including but not limited to the final and binding resolution of all claims and coverage disputes before the Primex³ 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 Primex³. 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: Town Of Freedom PO Box 227 Freedom, NH 03836		Member Number: 176	Company Affording Coverage: NH Public Risk Management Exchange - Primex ³ 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:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General Liability (Occurrence Form) Professional Liability (describe) <input type="checkbox"/> Claims Made <input type="checkbox"/> Occurrence	1/1/2023	1/1/2024	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	1/1/2023	1/1/2024	Combined Single Limit (Each Accident)	\$ 5,000,000
			Aggregate	\$ 5,000,000
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Workers' Compensation & Employers' Liability	1/1/2023	1/1/2024	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Statutory	
			Each Accident	\$2,000,000
			Disease - Each Employee	\$2,000,000
			Disease - Policy Limit	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Property (Special Risk Includes Fire and Theft)	1/1/2023	1/1/2024	Blanket Limit, Replacement Cost (unless otherwise stated)	Deductible \$1000
Description: Proof of Primex Member coverage only.				

CERTIFICATE HOLDER:	Additional Covered Party	Loss Payee	Primex³ - NH Public Risk Management Exchange By: <i>Mary Beth Purcell</i> Date: 3/16/2023 mpurcell@nhprimex.org Please direct inquires to: Primex³ Claims/Coverage Services 603-225-2841 phone 603-228-3833 fax
NH Department of Environmental Services Watershed Management Bureau 29 Hazen Drive, P.O. Box 95 Concord, NH 03302-0095			

**Attachment A
Budget Estimates
DANFORTH PONDS**

HERBICIDE

Item/Service	Cost
Permitting	\$1,650
Herbicide Treatment	\$17,150
Residue Sampling	\$3,300
Post-Treatment Sampling	\$850
State Reporting	\$850
Total	\$23,800*

*NHDES will pay 50% of the total project cost, up to \$11,900.

DIVER/DIVER-ASSISTED SUCTION HARVESTING

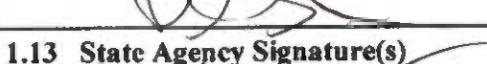
Item/Service	Cost
10 Days Exotic Aquatic Plant Removal Services and Disposal of Harvested Materials	\$15,500
Total	\$15,500*

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GRANT AGREEMENT

The State of New Hampshire and the Grantee hereby
Mutually agree as follows:
GENERAL PROVISIONS

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1.3. Grantee Name Town of Hudson		1.4. Grantee Address 12 School Street, Hudson, NH 03051	
1.5. Grantee Phone # 603-886-6008	1.6. Account Number 442010-1430-073	1.7. Completion Date December 31, 2023	1.8. Grant Limitation \$11,600
1.9. Grant Officer for State Agency Amy P. Smagula		1.10. State Agency Telephone Number 603-271-2248	
If Grantee is a municipality or village district: "By signing this form we certify that we have complied with any public meeting requirement for acceptance of this grant, including if applicable RSA 31:95-b."			
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Grantee Signature 2 		Name & Title of Grantee Signor 2 Vice-Chairperson, Board of Selectmen	
Grantee Signature 3 		Name & Title of Grantee Signor 3 Selectman, Board of Selectman	
1.13. State Agency Signature(s) 		1.14. Name & Title of State Agency Signor(s) Robert R. Scott, Commissioner	
1.15. Approval by Attorney General (Form, Substance and Execution) (if G & C approval required)			
By: 		Assistant Attorney General, On: 4/7/2023	
1.16. Approval by Governor and Council (if applicable)			
By:		On: / /	

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 15. ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTS. The Grantee shall not assign, or otherwise transfer any interest in this Agreement without the prior written consent of the State. None of the Project Work shall be subcontracted or subgranted by the Grantee other than as set forth in Exhibit B without the prior written consent of the State.
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 17. INSURANCE.
 - 17.1 The Grantee shall, at its own expense, obtain and maintain in force, or shall require any subcontractor, subgrantee or assignee performing Project work to obtain and maintain in force, both for the benefit of the State, the following insurance:
 - 17.1.1 Statutory workers' compensation and employees liability insurance for all employees engaged in the performance of the Project, and
 - 17.1.2 General liability insurance against all claims of bodily injuries, death or property damage, in amounts not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 aggregate for bodily injury or death any one incident, and \$500,000 for property damage in any one incident; and
 - 17.2. The policies described in subparagraph 17.1 of this paragraph shall be the standard form employed in the State of New Hampshire, issued by underwriters acceptable to the State, and authorized to do business in the State of New Hampshire. Grantee shall furnish to the State, certificates 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.
 18. WAIVER OF BREACH. 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, or any subsequent Event. No express waiver of any Event of Default shall be deemed a waiver of any provisions hereof. No such failure of waiver 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 default on the part of the Grantee.
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 21. CONSTRUCTION OF AGREEMENT AND TERMS. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the law of the State of New Hampshire, and is binding upon and inures to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and assignees. The captions and contents of the "subject" blank are used only as a matter of convenience, and are not to be considered a part of this Agreement or to be used in determining the intent of the parties hereto.
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 24. SPECIAL PROVISIONS. The additional or modifying provisions set forth in Exhibit A hereto are incorporated as part of this agreement.

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**EXHIBIT A
SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

There are no special provisions.

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**EXHIBIT B
SCOPE OF SERVICES
ROBINSON AND OTTERNIC PONDS**

1. The Town of Hudson is the grantee for this project. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) is referred to as the "state." Amy P. Smagula of the Watershed Management Bureau is the grant officer for the state.
2. Variable milfoil and fanwort, both invasive aquatic plants, have become a nuisance problem in various portions of Robinson and Otternic Ponds, and the grantee is seeking grant funds to assist in control efforts in 2023.
3. The grantee shall ensure that the contractors adhere to the following project-specific tasks:

For the diver work in 2022, the grantee will ensure that the diver(s) perform(s) the following tasks:

- Task 1 Notify the NHDES Exotic Species Program of the scope and timing of the project, and how the materials removed from the pond will be disposed of, and the names of the divers performing the work, at least two weeks before the work is scheduled to begin. Divers performing this work must be certified Weed Control Divers in New Hampshire.
 - Task 2 Notify NHDES within 5 business days of when the work is completed by submitting daily dive reports for work that was performed, per the reporting examples provided in the Weed Control Diver course.
4. NHDES will provide monetary support to you as outlined in Exhibit C.

Should the cost of projects be lower than the bids for those projects, remaining grant funds may be used to match costs associated with other NHDES approved exotic aquatic plant control projects in the above referenced waterbody.

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**EXHIBIT C
PAYMENT TERMS
ROBINSON AND OTTERNIC PONDS**

Payments shall be made by NHDES to the grantee upon approval of stated outputs and verification of the value of completed work through submittal of invoices for services rendered. NHDES will pay the grantee up to \$11,600, within 30 days of receiving the invoice(s) for the activities outlined in Exhibit B.

The billing address for invoices and all other correspondence shall be as follows:

NH Department of Environmental Services
29 Hazen Drive, PO Box 95
Concord, NH 03302-0095
Attn: Amy Smagula, Watershed Management Bureau

Invoices may also be emailed to Amy.P.Smagula@des.nh.gov upon receipt from the vendor.

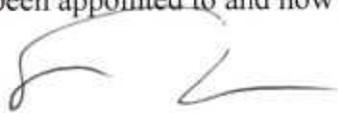
Invoices shall be approved by the Grant Officer before payment is processed.

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CERTIFICATE of AUTHORITY

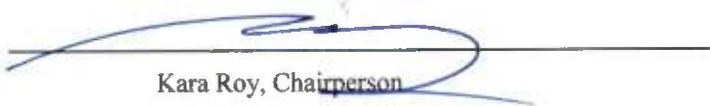
I, Kara Roy, Chairperson, of the Hudson New Hampshire Board of Selectmen, do hereby certify that:

- (1) I am the duly elected Chairperson;
- (2) at the meeting held on January 10, 2023, the Board of Selectmen voted to accept NHDES funds and to enter into a contract with the Department of Environmental Services;
- (3) the Board of Selectmen further authorized the Town Administrator 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:



Steve Malizia, Town Administrator

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as the Chairperson of the Hudson New Hampshire Board of Selectmen, this 10th day of January, 2023.



Kara Roy, Chairperson

**Attachment A
Budget Estimate
Robinson and Otternic Ponds**

DIVER/DIVER-ASSISTED SUCTION HARVESTING – BOTH PONDS

Item/Service	Cost
15 Days Exotic Aquatic Plant Removal Services and Disposal of Harvested Materials	\$23,200
Total	\$23,200*

*NHDES will pay 50% of the total project cost, up to \$11,600.



CERTIFICATE OF COVERAGE

The New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange (Primex³) 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, Primex³ is authorized to provide pooled risk management programs established for the benefit of political subdivisions in the State of New Hampshire.

Each member of Primex³ is entitled to the categories of coverage set forth below. In addition, Primex³ 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 Primex³, including but not limited to the final and binding resolution of all claims and coverage disputes before the Primex³ 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 Primex³. 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.

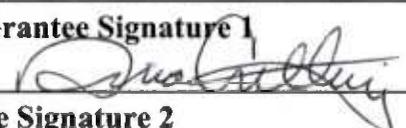
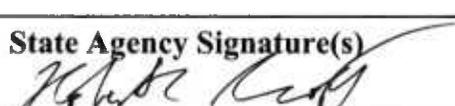
Participating Member: Town of Hudson 12 School Street Hudson, NH 03051		Member Number: 206	Company Affording Coverage: NH Public Risk Management Exchange - Primex ³ Bow Brook Place 46 Donovan Street Concord, NH 03301-2624		
Type of Coverage:	Effective Date: (mm/dd/yyyy)	Expiration Date: (mm/dd/yyyy)	Limits - NH Statutory Limits May Apply, If Not:		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Workers' Compensation & Employers' Liability	7/1/2022	7/1/2023	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Statutory		
			Each Accident	\$ 2,000,000	
			Disease - Each Employee	\$ 2,000,000	
			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 ³ - NH Public Risk Management Exchange By: <i>Mary Beth Purcell</i> Date: 3/14/2023 mpurcell@nhprimex.org Please direct inquires to: Primex³ Claims/Coverage Services 603-225-2841 phone 603-228-3833 fax
NH Department of Environmental Services Watershed Management Bureau 29 Hazen Drive, P.O. Box 95 Concord, NH 03302-0095			

GRANT AGREEMENT

The State of New Hampshire and the Grantee hereby
Mutually agree as follows:
GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. Identification and Definitions.

1.1. State Agency Name NH Department of Environmental Services		1.2. State Agency Address 29 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH 03302-0095	
1.3. Grantee Name Town of Lyme		1.4. Grantee Address PO Box 126, Lyme, NH 03768	
1.5 Grantee Phone # 603-795-4639	1.6 Account Number 442010-1430-073	1.7. Completion Date December 31, 2023	1.8. Grant Limitation \$12,980
1.9. Grant Officer for State Agency Amy P. Smagula		1.10. State Agency Telephone Number 603-271-2248	
If Grantee is a municipality or village district: "By signing this form we certify that we have complied with any public meeting requirement for acceptance of this grant, including if applicable RSA 31:95-b."			
1.11. Grantee Signature 1 		1.12. Name & Title of Grantee Signor 1 Town Administrator	
Grantee Signature 2		Name & Title of Grantee Signor 2	
Grantee Signature 3		Name & Title of Grantee Signor 3	
1.13 State Agency Signature(s) 		1.14. Name & Title of State Agency Signor(s) Robert R. Scott, Commissioner	
1.15. Approval by Attorney General (Form, Substance and Execution) (if G & C approval required)			
By: 		Assistant Attorney General, On: 4/7/2023	
1.16. Approval by Governor and Council (if applicable)			
By:		On: / /	

2. SCOPE OF WORK: In exchange for grant funds provided by the State of New Hampshire, acting through the Agency identified in block 1.1 (hereinafter referred to as "the State"), the Grantee identified in block 1.3 (hereinafter referred to as "the Grantee"), shall perform that work identified and more particularly described in the scope of work attached hereto as EXHIBIT B (the scope of work being hereinafter referred to as "the Project").

3. AREA COVERED. Except as otherwise specifically provided for herein, the Grantee shall perform the Project in, and with respect to, the State of New Hampshire.
4. EFFECTIVE DATE: COMPLETION OF PROJECT.
- 4.1. This Agreement, and all obligations of the parties hereunder, shall become effective on the date on the date of approval of this Agreement by the Governor and Council of the State of New Hampshire if required (block 1.16), or upon signature by the State Agency as shown in block 1.14 ("the Effective Date").
- 4.2. Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, the Project, including all reports required by this Agreement, shall be completed in ITS entirety prior to the date in block 1.7 (hereinafter referred to as "the Completion Date").
5. GRANT AMOUNT: LIMITATION ON AMOUNT: VOUCHERS: PAYMENT.
- 5.1. The Grant Amount is identified and more particularly described in EXHIBIT C, attached hereto.
- 5.2. The manner of, and schedule of payment shall be as set forth in EXHIBIT C.
- 5.3. In accordance with the provisions set forth in EXHIBIT C, and in consideration of the satisfactory performance of the Project, as determined by the State, and as limited by subparagraph 5.5 of these general provisions, the State shall pay the Grantee the Grant Amount. The State shall withhold from the amount otherwise payable to the Grantee under this subparagraph 5.3 those sums required, or permitted, to be withheld pursuant to N.H. RSA 80:7 through 7-c.
- 5.4. The payment by the State of the Grant amount shall be the only, and the complete payment to the Grantee for all expenses, of whatever nature, incurred by the Grantee in the performance hereof, and shall be the only, and the complete, compensation to the Grantee for the Project. The State shall have no liabilities to the Grantee other than the Grant Amount.
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6. COMPLIANCE BY GRANTEE WITH LAWS AND REGULATIONS. In connection with the performance of the Project, the Grantee shall comply with all statutes, laws regulations, and orders of federal, state, county, or municipal authorities which shall impose any obligations or duty upon the Grantee, including the acquisition of any and all necessary permits and RSA 31-95-b.
7. RECORDS and ACCOUNTS.
- 7.1. Between the Effective Date and the date seven (7) years after the Completion Date, unless otherwise required by the grant terms or the Agency, the Grantee shall keep detailed accounts of all expenses incurred in connection with the Project, including, but not limited to, costs of administration, transportation, insurance, telephone calls, and clerical materials and services. Such accounts shall be supported by receipts, invoices, bills and other similar documents.
- 7.2. Between the Effective Date and the date seven (7) years after the Completion Date, unless otherwise required by the grant terms or the Agency pursuant to subparagraph 7.1, at any time during the Grantee's normal business hours, and as often as the State shall demand, the Grantee shall make available to the State all records pertaining to matters covered by this Agreement. The Grantee shall permit the State to audit, examine, and reproduce such records, and to make audits of all contracts, invoices, materials, payrolls, records of personnel, data (as that term is hereinafter defined), and other information relating to all matters covered by this Agreement. As used in this paragraph, "Grantee" includes all persons, natural or fictional, affiliated with, controlled by, or under common ownership with, the entity identified as the Grantee in block 1.3 of these provisions
8. PERSONNEL.
- 8.1. The Grantee shall, at its own expense, provide all personnel necessary to perform the Project. The Grantee warrants that all personnel engaged in the Project shall be qualified to perform such Project, and shall be properly licensed and authorized to perform such Project under all applicable laws.
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- 8.3. The Grant Officer shall be the representative of the State hereunder. In the event of any dispute hereunder, the interpretation of this Agreement by the Grant Officer, and his/her decision on any dispute, shall be final.
9. DATA: RETENTION OF DATA: ACCESS.
- 9.1. 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, paper, and documents, all whether finished or unfinished.
- 9.2. Between the Effective Date and the Completion Date the Grantee shall grant to the State, or any person designated by it, unrestricted access to all data for examination, duplication, publication, translation, sale, disposal, or for any other purpose whatsoever.
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- 9.4. On and after the Effective Date 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, whichever shall first occur.
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10. CONDITIONAL NATURE OR AGREEMENT. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, all obligations of the State hereunder, including, without limitation, the continuance of payments hereunder, are contingent upon the availability or continued appropriation of funds, and in no event shall the State be liable for any payments hereunder in excess of such available or appropriated funds. In the event of a reduction or termination of those funds, the State shall have the right to withhold payment until such funds become available, if ever, and shall have the right to terminate this Agreement immediately upon giving the Grantee notice of such termination.
11. EVENT OF DEFAULT: REMEDIES.
- 11.1. Any one or more of the following acts or omissions of the Grantee shall constitute an event of default hereunder (hereinafter referred to as "Events of Default"):
 - 11.1.1 Failure to perform the Project satisfactorily or on schedule; or
 - 11.1.2 Failure to submit any report required hereunder; or
 - 11.1.3 Failure to maintain, or permit access to, the records required hereunder; or
 - 11.1.4 Failure to perform any of the other covenants and conditions of this Agreement.
- 11.2. Upon the occurrence of any Event of Default, the State may take any one, or more, or all, of the following actions:
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- 17.2. The policies described in subparagraph 17.1 of this paragraph shall be the standard form employed in the State of New Hampshire, issued by underwriters acceptable to the State, and authorized to do business in the State of New Hampshire. Grantee shall furnish to the State, certificates 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.
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19. 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 first above given.
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Date 1.25.23

**EXHIBIT A
SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

There are no special provisions.

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Date: 1.25.23

**EXHIBIT B
SCOPE OF SERVICES
POST POND**

1. The Town of Lyme is the grantee for this project. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) is referred to as the "state." Amy P. Smagula of the Watershed Management Bureau is the grant officer for the state.
2. Eurasian water milfoil, an invasive aquatic plant, has become a nuisance problem in various portions of Post Pond, and the grantee is seeking grant funds to assist in control efforts in 2023.
3. The grantee shall ensure that the contractors adhere to the following project-specific tasks:

For herbicide treatment in 2023, the grantee will ensure that SŌLitude Lake Management performs the following tasks:

- Task 1 Prepare and file Special Permit application with NH DPC (inclusive of the required abutter notifications, publication of newspaper notices and all costs associated with advertising and attending a public hearing, if required).
- Task 2 Perform chemical treatment of the subject waterbody per the bid specifications, inclusive of all labor, chemical, and equipment costs.
- Task 3 Conduct pre- and post-treatment surveys, perform post-treatment herbicide residue sample collection as required by permit, and submit the required written reporting to the State per the bid specifications.

For the diver work in 2023, the grantee will ensure that the diver(s) perform(s) the following tasks:

- Task 1 Notify the NHDES Exotic Species Program of the scope and timing of the project, and how the materials removed from the pond will be disposed of, and the names of the divers performing the work, at least two weeks before the work is scheduled to begin. Divers performing this work must be certified Weed Control Divers in New Hampshire.
 - Task 2 Notify NHDES within 5 business days of when the work is completed by submitting daily dive reports for work that was performed, per the reporting examples provided in the Weed Control Diver course.
4. NHDES will provide monetary support to you as outlined in Exhibit C.

Initials: DC
Date: 1.25.23

Should the cost of projects be lower than the bids for those projects, remaining grant funds may be used to match costs associated with other NHDES approved exotic aquatic plant control projects in the above referenced waterbody.

Initials: DC
Date: 1.25.23

**EXHIBIT C
PAYMENT TERMS
POST POND**

Payments shall be made by NHDES to the grantee upon approval of stated outputs and verification of the value of completed work through submittal of invoices for services rendered. NHDES will pay the grantee up to \$12,980, within 30 days of receiving the invoice(s) for the activities outlined in Exhibit B.

The billing address for invoices and all other correspondence shall be as follows:

NH Department of Environmental Services
29 Hazen Drive, PO Box 95
Concord, NH 03302-0095
Attn: Amy Smagula, Watershed Management Bureau

Invoices may also be emailed to Amy.P.Smagula@des.nh.gov, upon receipt from the vendor.

Invoices shall be approved by the Grant Officer before payment is processed.

Initials: DL
Date: 1.25.23

CERTIFICATE

I, Jordan Toland, Clerk/Select Board Secretary of the Town of Lyme hereby certify that:

(1) I am the duly elected Secretary;

(2) at the meeting held on January 12th 2023, the Select Board voted to accept NHDES funds and to enter into a contract with the Department of Environmental Services;

(3) the Town of Lyme further authorized the Town Administrator 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:

Dina Cutting, Town Administrator

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as the Clerk/Select Board Secretary of the Town of Lyme, this 25 day of January, 2023.



Jordan Toland, Clerk/Select Board Secretary

01-25-2023

**Attachment A
Budget Estimates
Post Pond**

HERBICIDE

Item/Service	Cost
Permitting	\$1,490
Herbicide Treatment	\$15,050
Residue Sampling	\$2,200
Post Treatment Survey	\$900
State Reporting	\$850
Total	\$20,490*

*NHDES will pay 50% of the total project cost, up to \$10,245.

HAND HARVESTING WITH DIVER(S)

Item/Service	Cost
10 Days Exotic Aquatic Plant Removal Services and Disposal of Harvested Materials	\$5,470
Total	\$5,470*

*NHDES will pay 50% of the total project cost, up to \$2,735.



CERTIFICATE OF COVERAGE

The New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange (Primex³) 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, Primex³ is authorized to provide pooled risk management programs established for the benefit of political subdivisions in the State of New Hampshire.

Each member of Primex³ is entitled to the categories of coverage set forth below. In addition, Primex³ 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 Primex³, including but not limited to the final and binding resolution of all claims and coverage disputes before the Primex³ 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 Primex³. 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: Town of Lyme One High Street PO Box 126 Lyme, NH 03768-0126	Member Number: 227	Company Affording Coverage: NH Public Risk Management Exchange - Primex ³ Bow Brook Place 46 Donovan Street Concord, NH 03301-2624
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	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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Workers' Compensation & Employers' Liability	7/1/2022	7/1/2023	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Statutory	
				Each Accident	\$2,000,000
				Disease - Each Employee	\$2,000,000
				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	Primex³ - NH Public Risk Management Exchange By: <i>Mary Beth Purcell</i> Date: 3/13/2023 mpurcell@nhprimex.org Please direct inquiries to: Primex³ Claims/Coverage Services 603-225-2841 phone 603-228-3833 fax
NH Department of Environmental Services Watershed Management Bureau 29 Hazen Drive, P.O. Box 95 Concord, NH 03302-0095			

Attachment B – List of Awards

Official Entity/Group Name	Town	Waterbody Name	Grant Award
Baboosic Lake Association	Merrimack/Amherst	Baboosic Lake	\$13,160
Balch Lake Improvement Association	Wakefield	Balch Lake	\$10,980
Barbara C Harris Center	Greenfield	Otter Pond	\$4,548
Big Island Pond Corporation	Hampstead	Big Island	\$33,955
Bow Conservation Commission	Bow	Turee Pond	\$3,400
Captains Pond Protective Association	Salem	Captains Pond	\$4,610
City of Laconia	Laconia	Winnepesaukee	\$42,530
City of Manchester	Manchester	Pine Island Pond	\$12,475
City of Nashua	Nashua	Nashua River	\$58,753
Contoocook Lake Area Preservation Association	Jaffrey	Contoocook Lake	\$6,210
Danville Long Pond Protective Association	Danville	Long Pond	\$20,978
Flints Pond Improvement Association	Hollis	Flints Pond	\$1,700
Glendale Cove Association	Gilford	Winnepesaukee	\$15,485
Goffstown Waterways Association	Goffstown/Manchester	Glen Lake	\$9,495
Lake Opechee Preservation Association	Laconia	Opechee Lake	\$3,900
Lake Shore Park Community Association	Gilford	Winnepesaukee	\$5,158
Monomonac Lake Property Owner's Association	Rindge	Monomonac Lake	\$17,385
Namaske Lake Association	Goffstown/ Manchester	Namaske Lake	\$7,050
SOLitude Lake Management, LLC	Barrington	Swains Lake	\$63,265
SOLitude Lake Management, LLC	Nottingham	Pawtuckaway Lake	\$50,025
Diver for Hire and LTD Diving	Newton	Country Pond	\$19,200
SOLitude Lake Management, LLC	Gilmanton	Shellcamp Pond	\$18,995
Northwood Lake Watershed Association	Northwood	Northwood Lake	\$9,600
Pearly Pond Association	Rindge	Pearly Pond	\$17,425
Powwow Pond Council Inc.	Kingston	Powwow Pond	\$3,900
Rockybound Pond Association	Croydon	Rockybound Pond	\$617
Rocky Pond Lake Association	Canterbury	Rocky Pond	\$11,340
Silver Lake Association Belmont-Tilton, Inc.	Belmont/Tilton	Silver Lake	\$12,663
Squam Lakes Association	Holderness, Ashland	Squam Lakes	\$50,000
Three Ponds Protective Association	Milton	Milton 3 Ponds	\$34,245
Town of Alton	Alton	Winnepesaukee	\$33,595
Town of Barnstead	Barnstead	Suncook River, Suncook	\$13,998
Town of Brookline	Brookline	Melendy/Potanipo	\$9,600
Town of Derry	Derry	Beaver Lake	\$8,215
Town of Dunbarton	Dunbarton	Gorham Pond	\$1,360
Town of Frankestown	Frankestown	Scobie Pond	\$4,425
Town of Freedom	Freedom/Effingham	Danforth Ponds	\$19,650
Town of Hudson	Hudson	Robinson/Otternic	\$11,600
Town of Lyme	Lyme	Post Pond	\$12,980
Town of Meredith	Meredith	Winnepesaukee	\$33,210
Town of Merrimack	Merrimack	Horseshoe/Naticook	\$9,290
Town of Middleton	Middleton	Sunrise Lake	\$1,269
Town of Moultonborough	Moultonborough	Lees Pond	\$5,088
Town of Moultonborough	Moultonborough	Winnepesaukee	\$63,725
Town of New Durham	New Durham	Marsh, Jones, Downing	\$11,600
Town of Ossipee	Ossipee	Ossipee	\$24,913
Town of Sandown	Sandown	Phillips Pond	\$23,228
Town of Tuftonboro	Tuftonboro	Winnepesaukee	\$13,265
Town of Winchester	Winchester	Forest Lake	\$3,900
Town of Wolfeboro	Wolfeboro	Winnepesaukee	\$6,438
Winnisquam Watershed Network	Laconia	Winnisquam	\$11,600