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August 4, 2023

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

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department (NHFG) requests authorization to accept and expend federal funds in the amount of \$854,231 from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) for the purpose of acquiring 819 +/- acres in the town of Dummer, effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approvals through June 30, 2024. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds to be budgeted as follows:

WILDLIFE HABITAT CONSERVATION						
03-75-75-751520-21550000						
Fiscal Year 2024						
	Expense	Class Description	Revenue	Current	Requested Action	Adjusted
000		FEDERAL FUNDS	404705-16	\$804,803	\$854,231	\$1,659,034
007		AGENCY INCOME	407629-24	39,946	0	39,946
008		AGENCY INCOME	405234-10	1,469,832	0	1,469,832
009		AGENCY INCOME	405462-14	3,115	0	3,115
Total				\$2,317,696	\$854,231	\$3,171,927
Expense						
010	500100	PERSONAL SERVICES		57,584	0	57,584
020	500200	CURRENT EXPENSES		1,300	0	1,300
022	500255	RENTS/LEASES		564	0	564
029	500290	INTRA-AGENCY TNFRS		15,000	0	15,000
030	500311	EQUIPMENT		170,073	0	170,073
033	500150	LAND ACQUISITIONS	404705-16	1,352,500	853,376	2,205,876
041	500801	AUDIT FUND SET	404705-16	805	855	1,660
049	584935	TSFRS TO OTH AGEN.		45,247	0	45,247
050	500109	PERSONAL SVCS TEMP		35,000	0	35,000
060	500602	BENEFITS		25,643	0	25,643
070	500704	IN STATE TRAVEL		2,000	0	2,000
073	500578	GRANTS NON FEDERAL		60,000	0	60,000
080	500710	OUT OF STATE TRAVEL		3,000	0	3,000
304	500841	RESEARCH &		498,980	0	498,980
305	500845	HABITAT, ACQIS. &		50,000	0	50,000
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EXPLANATION

NHFG proposes to acquire the fee interest from The Conservation Fund (TCF) on three abutting parcels totaling approximately 819 +/- acres located east of Pontook Reservoir in Dummer, Coos County. The property was purchased by TCF in late 2022 from the Clayson-Glover Trust. The twelve trustees, third generation owners, needed to sell and wished to see the property conserved and managed by NHFG. TCF's purchase was as an interim step to allow NHFG time to obtain federal and state approvals for the acquisition. This request is to accept and expend federal grant funds from the USFWS to support NHFG's purchase.

Acquisition of this property will establish the Glover Farm WMA. The Glover Farm property contains a mosaic of habitats including field, abandoned orchard, wetland, and forest types that support numerous birds and mammals: 10% of the property of old fields, orchards, and shrub land habitat is unique in a densely forested part of NH with few active farms and fields, supporting birds, deer, bear, and pollinators. The property provides an excellent opportunity to manage for healthy native small game populations including ruffed grouse, American woodcock, and snowshoe hare. The property contains a cedar swamp that is an active deer yard, a habitat that has largely disappeared in the area over the last 40 years.

In addition to these values, 86% of the parcel is ranked in the NH Wildlife Action Plan and NHFG's Wildlife Corridors Analysis identifies important areas which allow wildlife movement on the landscape. Maintaining and restoring connected habitats allow wildlife populations to thrive and adapt to changing conditions. The land will remain open for public pedestrian uses, hunting, fishing, and trapping in keeping with NHFG policies and the Clayson-Glover Trusts wishes.

The property was appraised at \$1,025,000, with total eligible project costs of \$1,139,075. NHFG entered into a purchase and sales agreement with TCF to purchase the fee title for a fair market value price of \$1,025,000 utilizing \$854,231 that represents 75% of the total project cost. The remaining 25% of project costs will be funded through TCF's own fundraising.

This acquisition is part of an effort to use Wildlife Restoration Program funds from the USFWS to expand and enhance the statewide Wildlife Management Area system under grant F21AF04030 (W-108-L-2). The approved federal grant includes \$854,231 in available federal funds from the USFWS for the fee purchase and associated project costs.

Funds are being budgeted in Class 033-Land Acquisitions to purchase this land.

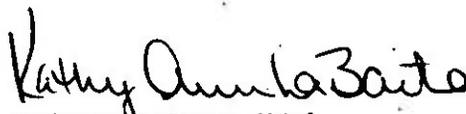
Funds are being budgeted in Class 041- Audit Fund Set Aside to comply with RSA 124:16 that requires all agencies which receive federal funds to set aside a percentage (.1%) of the federal revenue amount received to pay for financial and compliance audits.

General Funds will not be requested to support this project.

Respectfully submitted,



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Kathy Ann LaBonte, Chief
Business Division

Legend

 Glover Farm

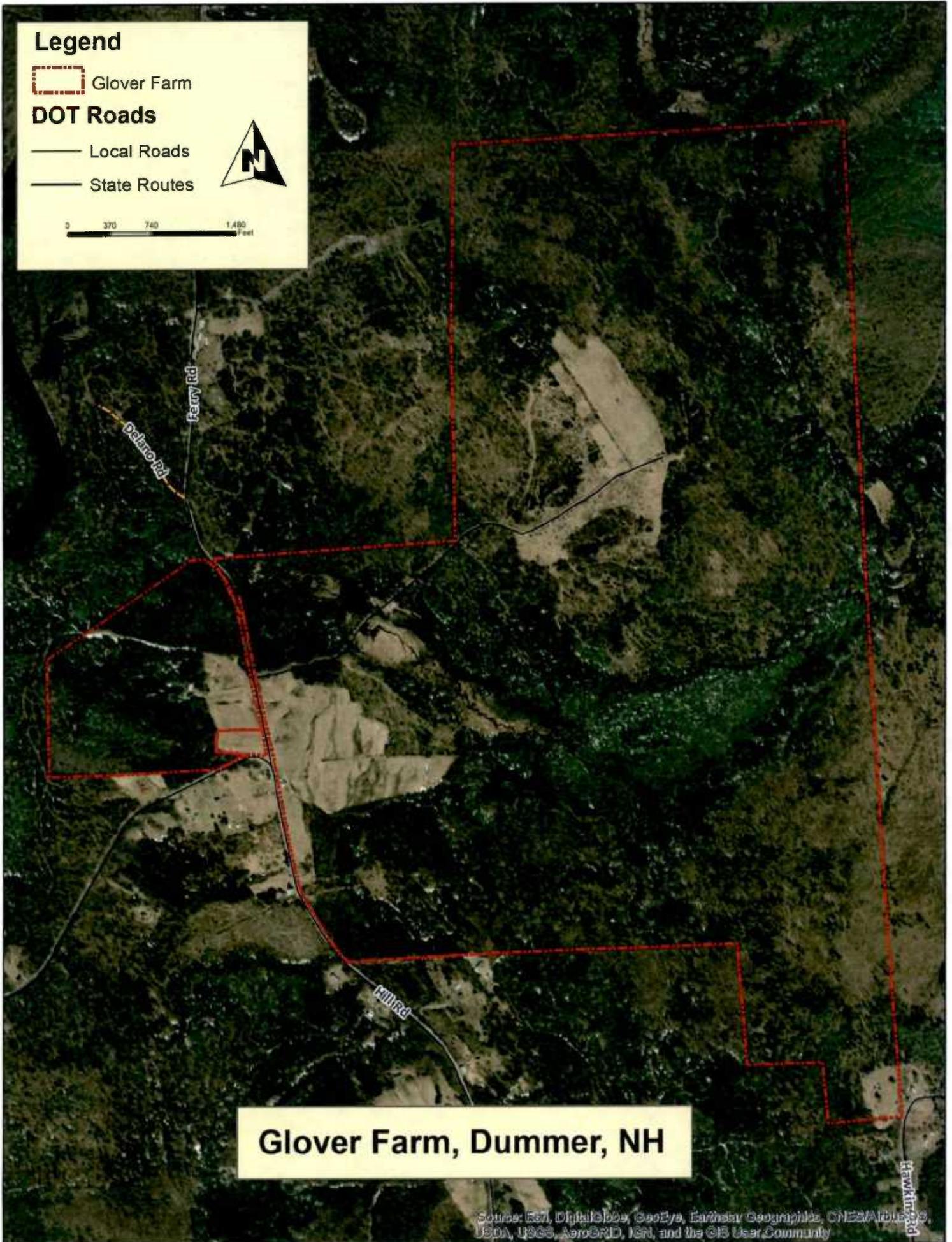
DOT Roads

 Local Roads

 State Routes



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Glover Farm, Dummer, NH

Source: Esri, DigitalGlobe, GeoEye, Earthstar Geographics, CNES/Airbus DS, USDA, USGS, AeroGRID, IGN, and the GIS User Community

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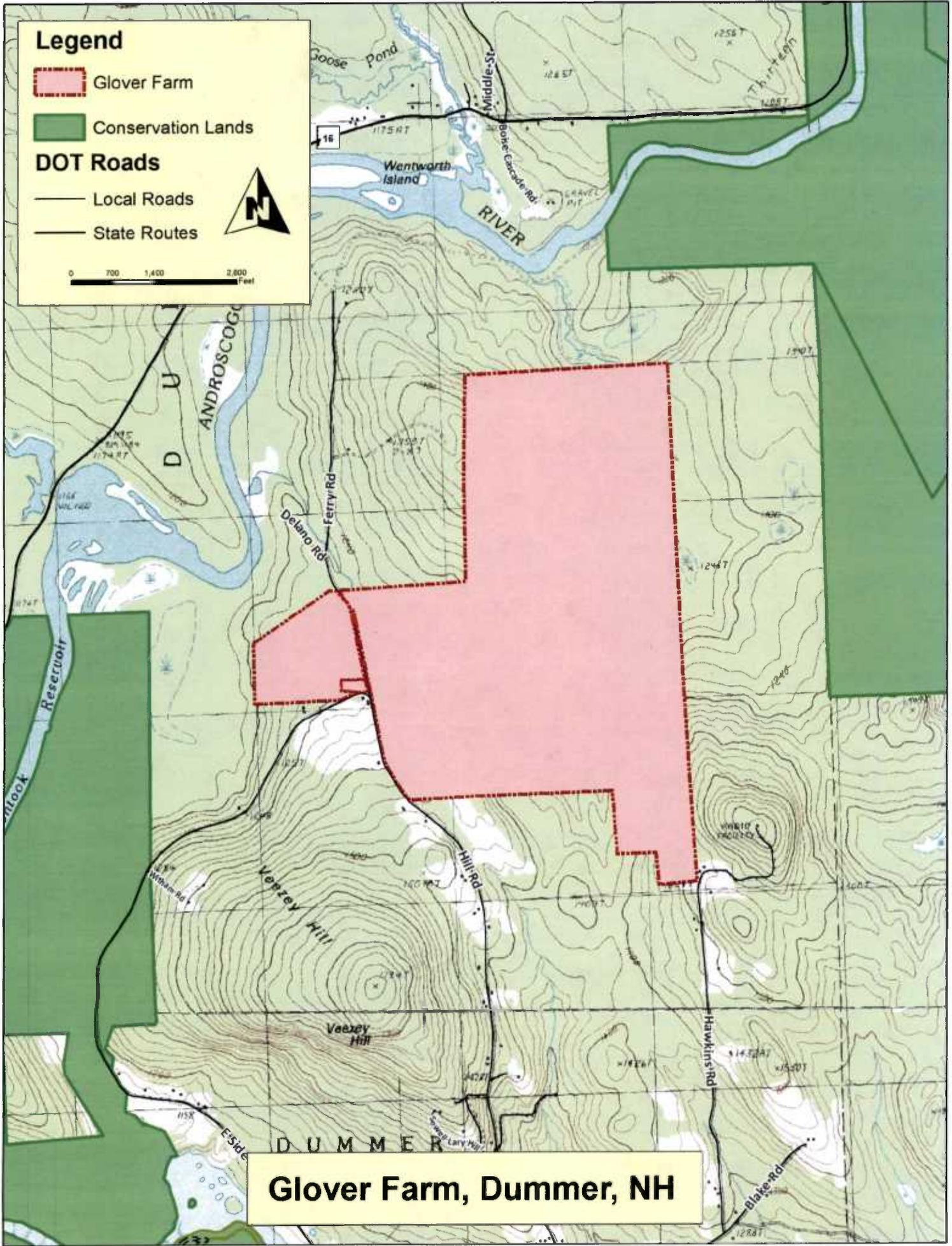
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-  Glover Farm
-  Conservation Lands

DOT Roads

-  Local Roads
-  State Routes





Glover Farm, Dummer, NH

1. DATE ISSUED MM/DD/YYYY 1a. SUPERSEDES AWARD NOTICE dated 04/13/2023
 08/03/2023 except that any additions or restrictions previously imposed remain in effect unless specifically rescinded

NOTICE OF AWARD



AUTHORIZATION (Legislation/Regulations)

Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act—Wildlife Restoration and Basic Hunter Education (16 U.S.C. §669 et seq., except as Pub. L. 106-

2. CFDA NO.
15.611 - Wildlife Restoration and Basic Hunter Education

3. ASSISTANCE TYPE Formula Grant

4. GRANT NO. F21AF04030-03
Originating MCA #

5. TYPE OF AWARD
Other

4a. FAIN F21AF04030

5a. ACTION TYPE Post Award Amendment

6. PROJECT PERIOD MM/DD/YYYY
From 08/01/2021 Through 08/30/2028

7. BUDGET PERIOD MM/DD/YYYY
From 08/01/2021 Through 08/30/2028

8. TITLE OF PROJECT (OR PROGRAM)
NH W-106-L-2 State Wildlife Management Area Enhancement

9a. GRANTEE NAME AND ADDRESS
NEW HAMPSHIRE FISH & GAME
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9b. GRANTEE PROJECT DIRECTOR
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ALL AMOUNTS ARE SHOWN IN USD

11. APPROVED BUDGET (Excludes Direct Assistance)	
I Financial Assistance from the Federal Awarding Agency Only	
II Total project costs including grant funds and all other financial participation	
a. Salaries and Wages	\$ 128,000.00
b. Fringe Benefits	\$ 72,000.00
c. Total Personnel Costs	\$ 200,000.00
d. Equipment	\$ 0.00
e. Supplies	\$ 0.00
f. Travel	\$ 3,000.00
g. Construction	\$ 0.00
h. Other	\$ 3,054,826.54
i. Contractual	\$ 144,250.00
j. TOTAL DIRECT COSTS	\$ 3,402,076.54
k. INDIRECT COSTS	\$ 40,000.00
l. TOTAL APPROVED BUDGET	\$ 3,442,076.54
m. Federal Share	\$ 2,402,231.00
n. Non-Federal Share	\$ 1,039,845.54

12. AWARD COMPUTATION	
a. Amount of Federal Financial Assistance (from Item 11m)	\$ 2,402,231.00
b. Less Unobligated Balance From Prior Budget Periods	\$ 0.00
c. Less Cumulative Prior Award(s) This Budget Period	\$ 1,548,000.00
d. AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE THIS ACTION	\$ 854,231.00
13. Total Federal Funds Awarded to Date for Project Period	\$ 2,402,231.00

14. RECOMMENDED FUTURE SUPPORT (Subject to the availability of funds and satisfactory progress of the project):			
YEAR	TOTAL DIRECT COSTS	YEAR	TOTAL DIRECT COSTS
a. 2	\$	d. 5	\$
b. 3	\$	e. 6	\$
c. 4	\$	f. 7	\$

15. PROGRAM INCOME SHALL BE USED IN ACCORD WITH ONE OF THE FOLLOWING ALTERNATIVES:

- a. DEDUCTION
- b. ADDITIONAL COSTS
- c. MATCHING
- d. OTHER RESEARCH (Add / Deduct Option)
- e. OTHER (See REMARKS)

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16. THIS AWARD IS BASED ON AN APPLICATION SUBMITTED TO, AND AS APPROVED BY, THE FEDERAL AWARDOING AGENCY ON THE ABOVE TITLED PROJECT AND IS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS INCORPORATED EITHER DIRECTLY OR BY REFERENCE IN THE FOLLOWING:

- a. The grant program legislation
- b. The grant program regulations
- c. This award notice including terms and conditions, if any, noted below under REMARKS.
- d. Federal administrative requirements, cost principles and audit requirements applicable to this grant.

In the event there are conflicting or otherwise inconsistent policies applicable to the grant, the above order of precedence shall prevail. Acceptance of the grant terms and conditions is acknowledged by the grantee when funds are drawn or otherwise obtained from the grant payment system.

REMARKS (Other Terms and Conditions Attached - Yes No)

An obligation of \$854,231.00 has been made to grant F21AF04030 NH W-106-L-2 State Wildlife Management Area Enhancement. A revision to change the scope of work has been approved: Glover Farm fee property. NH is approved to acquire the Glover Farm fee property and drawdown the associated federal funds. Pre-agreement costs are approved.

GRANTS MANAGEMENT OFFICIAL:
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17. VENDOR CODE		18a. UEI		18b. DUNS		19. CONG. DIST.	
LINE#	FINANCIAL ACCT	AMT OF FIN ASST	START DATE	END DATE	TAS ACCT	PO LINE DESCRIPTION	
4	0051039950-00010	\$854,231.00	08/01/2021	08/30/2028	5029	5222 NH	