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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT of NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF FORESTS AND LANDS

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January 11, 2024

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (DNCR), Division of Forests and Lands to accept and expend Homeland Security Grant Funds in the amount of \$2,340 from the New Hampshire Department of Safety (NHDOS) to be used for funding of northern border law enforcement patrols in accordance with the terms of the portion of the grant known as Operation Stonegarden as managed by NHDOS, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval through August 31, 2024. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds are to be budgeted in Fiscal Year 2024 in the following account:

03-035-035-351010-66140000, Operation Stonegarden DOS Grant

Class-Account - RG	Class Description	FY24 Current Adjusted Authorized	Requested Action	Revised FY24 Adjusted Authorized
00D-488523-69	Fed Rev Xfers Fr Oth Agenc	(\$29,391)	(\$2,340)	(\$31,731)
	Total Revenue	(\$29,391)	(\$2,340)	(\$31,731)
018-500106	Overtime	\$19,187	\$1,449	\$20,636
030-500311	Equipment New Replacement	\$976	\$0	\$976
060-500602	Benefits	\$4,039	\$499	\$4,538
070-500705	In State Travel	\$5,189	\$392	\$5,581
	Total Expenses	\$29,391	\$2,340	\$31,731

EXPLANATION

On August 23, 2022 (Item #102), the Governor and Executive Council approved a grant agreement between NHDOS and DNCR for the Operation Stonegarden portion of the 2021 Homeland Security Grant Program. The grant allows the Division of Forests and Lands to provide Detail Patrol coverage. Detail Patrols will be provided by the Division of Forests and Lands' Forest Rangers dressed in a recognizable department uniform.

Operation Stonegarden is a Homeland Security initiative that strives to engage local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies in border security. Homeland Security recognizes that law enforcement agencies in the area have local knowledge, skills, and abilities that can supplement and enhance the Nation's border security. Working in partnership with the Beecher Falls Border Patrol Station will raise our collective level of situational

awareness in the border area of northern New Hampshire. Stonegarden provides compensation in the form of federal dollars for both personnel and equipment. Current Stonegarden participants in New Hampshire include the NH Fish and Game Department, Forest Protection Bureau of DNCR, Coos County Sheriff's Department, Pittsburg Police Department, Colebrook Police Department, and the Department of Safety's Division of State Police.

The following additional appropriation authorities are being requested:

Class 018 – Overtime – Appropriation needed to pay current Forest Protection Bureau staff for patrol details;

Class 060 – Benefits – Appropriation needed to pay associated fringe benefits on overtime hours; and

Class 070 – In State Travel – Appropriation needed to pay mileage expenses for Operation Stonegarden details.

In the event that Federal Funds are no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,



Patrick D. Hackley
Director

Concurred,



Sarah L. Stewart
Commissioner

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State of New Hampshire

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY
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RICHARD C. BAILEY, JR.
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER

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ROBERT L. QUINN
COMMISSIONER

August 9, 2022

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the New Hampshire Department of Safety to retroactively enter into a grant agreement with the NH Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (VCA 314716-B001) in the amount of \$2,340.04 for the Operation Stonegarden portion of the 2021 Homeland Security Grant Program. Effective upon Governor and Council approval from May 13, 2022 through August 31, 2024. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds are available in the SFY 2023 operating budget as follows

02-23-23-231010-11180000 - Dept. of Safety - Office of the Comm - Homeland State Agency Grants	<u>SFY2023</u>
085-588535 - Interagency Transfers out of Federal Funds	\$2,340.04
23HS21SGST	

EXPLANATION

This request is retroactive due to a previous agreement made to NH Department of Natural and Cultural Resources in FY2022, which resulted in this \$2,340.04 exceeding the cumulative threshold requiring approval by Governor and Council. The original contract was approved by the Department of Safety on May 13, 2022 and extends through August 31, 2024. There are no changes to the terms and conditions of this grant/contract.

This State Agency award is funded as part of the 2021 Department of Homeland Security Grant Program under a special limited purpose allocation known as "Operation Stonegarden" (OPSG). OPSG funds are intended to enhance cooperation and coordination among local, Tribal, territorial, State, and Federal law enforcement agencies in a joint mission to secure the United States borders along routes of ingress from international borders to include travel corridors in States bordering Mexico and Canada, as well as States and territories with international water borders. The Department of Natural and Cultural Resources is a partner in this program in Coos County. Targeted overtime patrols will be conducted by law enforcement officials in the region.

This grant award to the NH Department of Natural and Cultural Resources is for:

\$ 1,948.04	to cover overtime and associated benefits for Operation Stonegarden details conducted
\$ 392.00	to cover mileage for Operation Stonegarden details conducted
\$ 2,340.04	

Highway Funds or General Funds will not be used should Federal Funds become unavailable.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Quinn
Commissioner of Safety

State of New Hampshire

ROBERT L. QUINN
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Approved
05/13/2022

May 6, 2022

Director Steven Lavoie
Department of Safety
33 Hazen Drive
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 21-P:43, authorize the New Hampshire Department of Safety to enter into a grant agreement with the NH Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (vendor code 314716, B001) in the amount of \$2,340.04 for the Operation Stonegarden portion of the 2021 Homeland Security Grant Program. Effective upon Safety Business Office approval through August 31, 2024.

Financial Information:

Funds are available in the SFY 2022 operating budget as follows with the Federal award scheduled to end August 31, 2024.

02-23-23-231010-11180000	Dept. of Safety	Office of the Commissioner	Homeland State Agency
Grants			
045-588535 2JHS21SGST	Interagency Transfers out of Federal Funds \$2,340.04		

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Pamela Urban-Morin
Grants Administrator

PUM/jdb

State of New Hampshire

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April 13, 2022

Mr. Patrick Hackley, Director
NH DNCR Forest Protection Bureau
172 Pembroke Road
Concord, NH 03301

Re: 2021 Homeland Security Grant Program Award – Operation StoneGarden (OPSG)
The OPSG Grant period expires 8/31/24

Dear Director Hackley,

It is my pleasure to inform you that upon review of your 2021 Homeland Security Grant Application, the NH DNCR, Forest Protection Bureau has been awarded \$2,340.04 apportioned as outlined in the attached Approved Items Spreadsheet. You may start your activities in coordination with Coos County as the lead agency, and US DHS CBP as soon as the attached award documents are completed and returned to the Grants Management Bureau. These funds are awarded under the OPSG portion of the 2021 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP). However, no eligible reimbursements will be made until these forms have been returned to the Department of Safety, Grants Management Bureau and you have received notification of receipt.

Please have an authorized official sign and return these forms no later than **May 4, 2022** to:

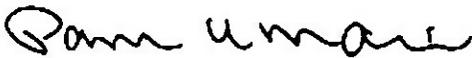
NH Department of Safety
Grants Management Bureau
33 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH 03305

These grant awards are subject to federal program requirements and special conditions. Enclosed are your federal grant terms and conditions, special conditions requirements, lobbying certification, acceptance of audit requirement, and Sub-Recipient Information Reporting forms. All signature forms must be returned to the Grants Management Bureau within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. Special conditions requirements must be responded to within thirty (30) days of the date of this letter. In addition, purchase orders or other documented proofs of purchase must be submitted within 180 days of the date of this letter. Failure to meet these requirements will result in a delay in reimbursement or cancellation of your grant award.

Once the signed award documents and the attached Grant Agreement for Governor and Council have been returned to our office, we will go to Governor and Council to sub-award the funds to the NH Department of Natural and Cultural Resources. If the NH Department of Natural and Cultural Resources has not budgeted for the receipt of these grant funds, the NH Department of Natural and Cultural Resources will need to create an "accept and expend" item to complete the process of awarding and accepting these funds through Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council.

Additional information is also available at <http://www.nh.gov/safety/homeland/index.html>.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pamela Urban-Morin". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Pamela Urban-Morin
Grant Administrator

**2021 Operation Stonegarden
MOA with Coos County Sheriff's Office**

The undersigned understands that Coos County Sheriff's Office is the lead agency for the Operation Stonegarden (OPSG) portion of the 2021 Homeland Security Grant Program. As part of this program, the undersigned authorizes 1) the purchase of equipment as specified in the OPSG grant application, and 2) personnel from their Department to participate in OPSG details (see attached breakdown of approved costs). Reimbursement of said equipment and details will be directly from the NH Department of Safety, Grants Management Bureau to the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources.

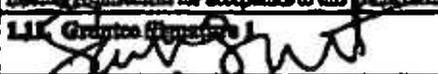
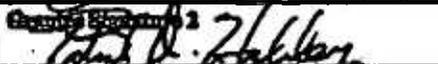
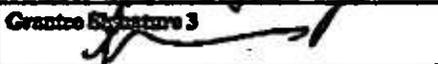
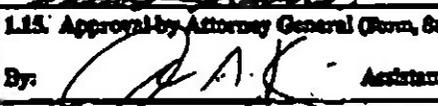
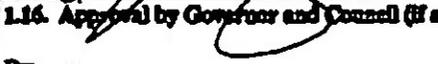
Name of Commissioner or legal authorized official to sign

Name:	<u>Sarah L. Stewart</u>
Title:	<u>Commissioner</u>
Address:	<u>172 Pembroke Road</u>
City, Zip:	<u>Concord NH 03301</u>
Phone No:	<u>603-271-2411</u>
Fax No:	<u>603-271-2629</u>
Email:	<u>Sarah.L.Stewart@dncr.nh.gov</u>
Original Signatures	<u></u>

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 Department of Safety		1.2. State Agency Address 33 Essex Drive Concord, NH 03305	
1.3. Grantee Name Department of Natural and Cultural Resources		1.4. Grantee Address 172 Pembroke Rd., Concord, NH 03301	
1.5. Grantee Phone # 603-771-2411	1.6. Account Number 10-11160000-628335	1.7. Completion Date 8/31/2024	1.8. Grant Limitation \$2,340,04
1.9. Grant Officer for State Agency Pam Urban-Morris		1.10. State Agency Telephone Number 603-771-7663	
If Grantee is a municipality or village district: "By signing this form we certify that we have complied with any public meeting requirements for acceptance of this grant, including if applicable RSA 216:2-b."			
1.11. Grantee Signature 1 		1.12. Name & Title of Grantee Signor 1 Sarah L. Stewart, Commissioner	
Grantee Signature 2 		Name & Title of Grantee Signor 2 Patrick Hackley, Director	
Grantee Signature 3 		Name & Title of Grantee Signor 3 Christopher Martin, Business Operations	
1.13. State Agency Signature(s) 		1.14. Name & Title of State Agency Signor(s) Steven R. Lavoie, Director of Administration	
1.15. Approval by Attorney General (Form, Substance and Execution) (if G & C approval required)			
By: 		Assistant Attorney General, On: 8/16/2022	
1.16. Approval by Governor and Council (if applicable)			
By: 		On: 7/1	

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 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 envelope prior to the date in Block 1.7 (hereinafter referred to as "the Completion Date").
5. **GRANT AMOUNT; LIMITATION ON AMOUNT; VOUCHER 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 5.3 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-e.
- 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 31-80-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, formulas, surveys, maps, charts, sound recordings, video recordings, pictorial reproductions, drawings, synopses, 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 this 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 OF 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 "Event 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 obligations the State may owe to the Grantee any damages the State suffers by reason of any Event of Default; and
- 11.2.4 Treat this 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. 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 enable the Grantee to receive that portion of 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 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.
- 12.3. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, either the State or, except where notice of default has been given to the Grantee hereunder, the Grantee, may terminate this Agreement without cause upon thirty (30) days written notice.
- 12.4. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST.** No officer, member of employees of the Grantee, and no representative, officer or employee of the State of New Hampshire or of the governing body of the locality or locality in which the Project is to be performed, who exercises any functions or responsibilities in the review or

- 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 assessed against the State, its officers and employees, by or on behalf of any person, an 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 \$100,000 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 coverage(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 intent 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 supercedes 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.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS – FFY 2021

SUBGRANTEE: NH DNCR Forest Protection Bureau

GRANT AWARD AMOUNT: \$2,340.04

GRANT TITLE: OPERATION STONEGARDEN

GRANT AWARD DATE: 4/13/2022

GRANT PROGRAM: SHSP/OPSG

CFDA#: 97.067

DHS Grant Award Number: Grant Award: EMW-2021-SS-00049

ALL SPECIAL CONDITIONS MUST BE RESPONDED TO *WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS* FROM THE AWARD DATE AND PRIOR TO DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED. THESE GRANT FUNDS EXPIRE ON August 31, 2024. Accordingly per DHS/FEMA- Office of Financial & Grants Management guide: The award period is the period of time when Federal funding is available for obligation by the recipient. The recipient may charge to the grant only allowable costs resulting from the obligations incurred during the funding period... Any funds not properly obligated by the recipient within the grant award period will lapse and revert back to DOS or DHS/FEMA...The obligation period is the same as the award period listed on the award document.
BY SIGNING THIS FORM YOU AGREE TO THE CONDITIONS OF THIS GRANT.

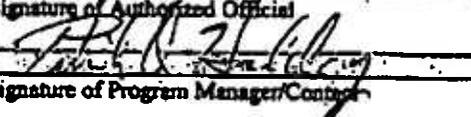
1. Please note the following special conditions for your grant award:

- a. Provide your UEI number here
- b. Complete and return all signature forms included with this award.
- c. Funds are to be expended in accordance with the attached Budget.
- d. The "Stonegraden Security Detail Officer's Activity & Time Report" must be completed, signed, and returned with each reimbursement request submitted to the Grants Management Unit.
- e. Documentation showing authorization from the local governing body/authorized official approving an OPSG rate for the 2021 OPSG program.
- f. To insure the premium pay rates are not being applied to these OPSG patrol activities please supply the resolution from your governing authorities which authorize any rates that are beyond the normal FLSA applicable overtime rules that apply to your employees. The mere opportunity for access to Federal funds does not indicate that a premium rate may be charged without proper justification at the "local" level. The use of a "detail" rate must be consistent with an existing policy in place for example: until "overtime" rate is reached an officer may not charge the OPSG for "overtime" (OPSG detail) rate. Ex: "overtime only applies at 40 hour or more per local labor contract
- g. Under FLSA for a Chief (or exempt employee) to be eligible for "overtime" patrols must meet the following test: is a police chief considered exempt under the executive or administrative test. Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA), a police chief is exempt if they meet all of the following
 - Pay of not less than \$435 per week
 - Paid on a salary basis
 - Customarily and regularly supervise work of two or more employees
 - Has authority to hire or fire employees

* Only exception would be a state law or municipal ordinance that provides more benefits than the FLSA requires.
This must be supplied if the Chief is working these patrols as overtime.
- h. An employee of a unit of government may not receive compensation from their unit or agency of government AND from an award for a single period of time (e.g., 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.).
- i. In no case shall OPSG patrols supplant local patrols.
- j. The following must be supplied for reimbursement:
 - i. signed copy of the Payroll Summary Sheet filled out and signed by someone who can validate
 - ii. a signed copy of the OT/Backfill form for each day worked signed by an authorized official
 - iii. We will need signed payroll sheets.
 - iv. We need the specific mileage validated and signed off on by authorized official- See Stone Garden Activity Sheet.doc
- k. Equipment approved will need to be purchased and then reimbursed with an invoice and copy of cleared proof of payment (canceled check equivalent)

1. Equipment purchases **MUST** comply with 2 CFR 200.317-326 and the attached procurement report must be completed and submitted for GMU approval prior to purchases made. System for Award Management (SAMS) report is required for selected vendor as well.
 - m. Note – CBP may have additional requirements for documentation that they can address in your team meetings.
 - n. Reimbursement requests need to include: paid invoices, canceled checks, requests for reimbursement signed on Town or Agency letterhead.
2. **Project Implementation:** The subrecipient agrees to implement this project within 90 days following the grant award effective date or be subject to automatic cancellation of the grant. For projects subject to EHP/NEPA, **NO work can begin until EHP/NEPA approvals are granted.** DOS-GMU will advise sub-recipient of the approval once received. DOS-GMU reserves the right to verify project start date. All projects must be completed at least 30 days prior to end of the grant period as specified on the Grant Special Conditions page. No work may be completed or be eligible for reimbursement if it occurs after the grant period end date.
3. All sub-grantees must comply with the Grant Terms and Conditions included with this award.
4. All sub-grantees must comply with the National Incident Management System (NIMS) minimum requirements as specified in the Fiscal Year 2021 Homeland Security Grant Program Guidelines. Additional information about achieving compliance is available through the training officers at the NH Department of Safety's Fire Academy and EMS Bureau and the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management.
5. All sub-grantees must comply and be familiar with Homeland Security Presidential Policy Directive-8, the National Preparedness System* (NPS) and the National Preparedness Goal (NPG). See: <http://www.dhs.gov/presidential-policy-directive-8-national-preparedness>.
6. It is recommended that all grant recipients modify their existing incident management and emergency operations plans in accordance with the National Response Plan's coordinating structures, processes, and protocols. http://www.dhs.gov/library/assets/NRP_Brochure.pdf
7. All SHSP sub-grantees must, when appropriate, engage citizens by expanding plans and task force memberships to address citizen participation; awareness and outreach to inform and engage the public; include citizens in training and exercise; and develop or expand programs that integrate citizen/volunteer support for the emergency responder disciplines. Grantees are encouraged to integrate with the Citizens' Corp from their local area. Contact VolunteerNHI
8. Recurring costs/fees are not allowable for funding under the 2021 Homeland Security Grant Program. Internet service fees, radio service fees, cellular phone fees, satellite phone fees, etc. paid for with grant funds are for 12 months during the year of equipment purchase only and cannot extend beyond the end date of the grant.



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 Signature of Program Manager/Contractor

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Article I - Summary Description of Award

The purpose of the FY 2021 HSGP is to support state and local efforts to prevent terrorism and other catastrophic events and to prepare the Nation for the threats and hazards that pose the greatest risk to the security of the United States. The HSGP provides funding to implement investments that build, sustain, and deliver the 32 core capabilities essential to achieving the National Preparedness Goal of a secure and resilient Nation. Among the five basic homeland security missions noted in the OHS Quadrennial Homeland Security Review, HSGP supports the goal to Strengthen National Preparedness and Resilience. The building, sustainment, and delivery of these core capabilities are not exclusive to any single level of government, organization, or community, but rather, require the combined effort of the whole community. This HSGP award consists of State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) funding in the amount of \$4,802,500, and Operation Stonegarden (OPSG) funding in the amount of \$180,000. The following counties shall receive OPSG subawards for the following amounts: Coos, \$180,000. These grant programs fund a range of activities, including planning, organization, equipment purchase, training, exercises, and management and administration across all core capabilities and mission areas.

Article IV - Limited English Proficiency (Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VI)

Recipients must comply with Title VI of the *Civil Rights Act of 1964*, (42 U.S.C. section 2000d *et seq.*) prohibition against discrimination on the basis of national origin, which requires that recipients of federal financial assistance take reasonable steps to provide meaningful access to persons with limited English proficiency (LEP) to their programs and services. For additional assistance and information regarding language access obligations, please refer to the OHS Recipient Guidance: <https://www.dhs.gov/guidance-published-help-department-supported-organizations-provide-meaningful-access-people-limited> and additional resources on <http://www.lep.gov>.

Article V - Universal Identifier and System of Award Management

Recipients are required to comply with the requirements set forth in the government-wide financial assistance award term regarding the System for Award Management and Universal Identifier Requirements located at 2 C.F.R. Part 25, Appendix A, the full text of which is incorporated here by reference.

Article VI - Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

Recipients must comply with the requirements of Titles I, II, and III of the *Americans with Disabilities Act*, Pub. L. No. 101-336 (1990) (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. sections 12101- 12213), which prohibits recipients from discriminating on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities.

Article VII - SAFECOM

Recipients receiving federal financial assistance awards made under programs that provide emergency communication equipment and its related activities must comply with the SAFECOM Guidance for Emergency Communication Grants, including provisions on technical standards that ensure and enhance interoperable communications.

Article VIII - Rehabilitation Act of 1973

Recipients must comply with the requirements of Section 504 of the *Rehabilitation Act of 1973*, Pub. L. 93-112 (1973), (codified as amended at 29 U.S.C. section 794,) which provides that no otherwise qualified handicapped individuals in the United States will, solely by reason of the handicap, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

Article IX - National Environmental Policy Act

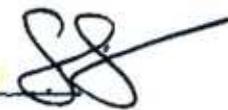
Recipients must comply with the requirements of the *National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA)*, Pub. L. 91-190 (1970) (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. section 4321 *et seq.*) and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of NEPA, which require recipients to use all practicable means within their authority, and consistent with other essential considerations of national policy, to create and maintain

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conditions under which people and nature can exist in productive harmony and fulfill the social, economic, and other needs of present and future generations of Americans.

Article X - Acknowledgement of Federal Funding from DHS

Recipients must acknowledge their use of federal funding when issuing statements, press releases, requests for proposal, bid invitations, and other documents describing projects or programs funded in whole or in part with federal funds.

Article XI - USA PATRIOT Act of 2001

Recipients must comply with requirements of Section 817 of the *Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001* (USA PATRIOT Act), Pub. L. No. 107-56, which amends 18 U.S.C. sections 175-175c.

Article XII -Age Discrimination Act of 1975

Recipients must comply with the requirements of the *Age Discrimination Act of 1975*, Pub. L. No. 94-136 (1975) (codified as amended at Title 42, U.S. Code, section 6101 *et seq.*), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

Article XIII - Civil Rights Act of 1964 - Title VI

Recipients must comply with the requirements of Title VI of the *Civil Rights Act of 1964* (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. section 2000d *et seq.*), which provides that no person in the United States will, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance. OHS Implementing regulations for the Act are found at 6 C.F.R. Part 21 and 44 C.F.R. Part 7.

Article XIV - Applicability of DHS Standard Terms and Conditions to Tribes

The OHS Standard Terms and Conditions are a restatement of general requirements imposed upon recipients and flow down to subrecipients as a matter of law, regulation, or executive order. If the requirement does not apply to Indian tribes or there is a federal law or regulation exempting its application to Indian tribes, then the acceptance by Tribes of, or acquiescence to, OHS Standard Terms and Conditions does not change or alter its inapplicability to an Indian tribe. The execution of grant documents is not intended to change, alter, amend, or impose additional liability or responsibility upon the Tribe where it does not already exist.

Article XV - Notice of Funding Opportunity Requirements

All the instructions, guidance, limitations, and other conditions set forth in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for this program are incorporated here by reference in the award terms and conditions. All recipients must comply with any such requirements set forth in the program NOFO.

Article XVI - Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA)

Recipients must comply with the requirements of the government-wide financial assistance award term which implements Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA), codified as amended at 22 U.S.C. section 7104. The award term is located at 2 C.F.R. section 175.15, the full text of which is incorporated here by reference.

Article XVII - Acceptance of Post Award Changes

In the event FEMA determines that changes are necessary to the award document after an award has been made, including changes to period of performance or terms and conditions, recipients will be notified of the changes in writing. Once notification has been made, any subsequent request for funds will indicate recipient acceptance of the changes to the award. Please call the FEMNGMD Call Center at (866) 927-5646 or via e-mail to ASK-GMD@fema.dhs.gov if you have any questions.

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Article XVIII - Non-Supplanting Requirement

Recipients receiving federal financial assistance awards made under programs that prohibit supplanting by law must ensure that federal funds do not replace (supplant) funds that have been budgeted for the same purpose through non-federal sources.

Article XIX - Drug-Free Workplace Regulations

Recipients must comply with drug-free workplace requirements in Subpart B (or Subpart C, if the recipient is an individual) of 2 C.F.R. Part 3001, which adopts the Government-wide Implementation (2 C.F.R. Part 182) of Sec. 5152-5158 of the *Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988* (41 U.S.C. sections 8101-8108).

Article XX - Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging while Driving

Recipients are encouraged to adopt and enforce policies that ban text messaging while driving as described in E.O. 13513, including conducting initiatives described in Section 3(e) of the Order when on official government business or when performing any work for or on behalf of the federal government.

Article XXI - Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation (EHP) Review

OHS/FEMA funded activities that may require an EHP review are subject to the FEMA Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation (EHP) review process. This review does not address all federal, state, and local requirements. Acceptance of federal funding requires recipient to comply with all federal, state, and local laws.

DHS/FEMA is required to consider the potential impacts to natural and cultural resources of all projects funded by OHS/ FEMA grant funds, through its EHP Review process, as mandated by the National Environmental Policy Act; National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended; National Flood Insurance Program regulations; and, any other applicable laws and Executive Orders. To access the FEMA EHP screening form and instructions, go to the OHS/FEMA website at: <https://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/90195>. In order to initiate EHP review of your project(s), you must

complete all relevant sections of this form and submit it to the Grant Programs Directorate (GPO) along with all other pertinent project information. The EHP review process must be completed before funds are released to carry out the proposed project; otherwise, OHS/FEMA may not be able to fund the project due to noncompliance with EHP laws, executive order, regulations, and policies. If ground disturbing activities occur during construction, applicant will monitor ground disturbance, and if any potential archeological resources are discovered, applicant will immediately cease work in that area and notify the pass-through entity, if applicable, and DHS/FEMA.

Article XXII - OHS Specific Acknowledgements and Assurances

All recipients, subrecipients, successors, transferees, and assignees must acknowledge and agree to comply with applicable provisions governing OHS access to records, accounts, documents, information, facilities, and staff.

1. Recipients must cooperate with any compliance reviews or compliance investigations conducted by OHS.
2. Recipients must give OHS access to, and the right to examine and copy, records, accounts, and other documents and sources of information related to the federal financial assistance award and permit access to facilities, personnel, and other individuals and information as may be necessary, as required by OHS regulations and other applicable laws or program guidance.
3. Recipients must submit timely, complete, and accurate reports to the appropriate OHS officials and maintain appropriate backup documentation to support the reports.
4. Recipients must comply with all other special reporting, data collection, and evaluation requirements, as prescribed by law or detailed in program guidance.
5. Recipients of federal financial assistance from OHS must complete the *OHS Civil Rights Evaluation Tool* within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Notice of Award or, for State Administrative Agencies, thirty (30) days from receipt of the OHS Civil Rights Evaluation Tool from OHS or its awarding component agency. After the initial submission for the first award under which this term applies, recipients are required to provide this information once every two (2) years if they have an active award, not every time an award is made. Recipients should submit the completed tool, including supporting materials,

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to CivilRightsEvaluation@hq.dhs.gov. This tool clarifies the civil rights obligations and related reporting requirements contained in the OHS Standard Terms and Conditions. Subrecipients are not required to complete and submit this tool to OHS. The evaluation tool can be found at <https://www.dhs.gov/publication/dhs-civil-rights-evaluation-tool>.

The OHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will consider, in its discretion, granting an extension if the recipient identifies steps and a timeline for completing the tool. Recipients should request extensions by emailing the request to CivilRightsEvaluation@hq.dhs.gov prior to expiration of the 30-day deadline.

Article XXIII • Best Practices for Collection and Use of Personally Identifiable Information

Recipients who collect personally identifiable information (PII) are required to have a publicly available privacy policy that describes standards on the usage and maintenance of the PII they collect. OHS defines PII as any information that permits the identity of an individual to be directly or indirectly inferred, including any information that is linked or linkable to that individual. Recipients may also find the OHS Privacy Impact Assessments: Privacy Guidance at http://www.dhs.gov/xlibray/assets/privacy/privacy_pia_guidancejune2010.pdf and Privacy Template at https://www.dhs.gov/sites/default/files/publications/privacy_pia_template_2017.pdf as useful resources respectively.

Article XXIV • Civil Rights Act of 1968

Recipients must comply with Title VIII of the *Civil Rights Act of 1968*, Pub. L. 90-284, as amended through Pub. L. 113-4, which prohibits recipients from discriminating in the sale, rental, financing, and advertising of dwellings, or in the provision of services in connection therewith, on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, disability, familial status, and sex (see 42 U.S.C. section 3601 *et seq.*), as implemented by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development at 24 C.F.R. Part 100. The prohibition on disability discrimination includes the requirement that new multifamily housing with four or more dwelling units—i.e., the public and common use areas and individual apartment units (all units in buildings with elevators and ground-floor units in buildings without elevators)—be designed and constructed with certain accessible features. (See 24 C.F.R. Part 100, Subpart D.)

Article XXV • Debarment and Suspension

Recipients are subject to the non-procurement debarment and suspension regulations implementing Executive Orders (E 12549 and 12689, which are at 2 C.F.R. Part 180 as adopted by OHS at 2 C.F.R. Part 3000. These regulations restrict federal financial assistance awards, subawards, and contracts with certain parties that are debarred, suspended, or other excluded from or ineligible for participation in federal assistance programs or activities.

Article XXVI • Activities Conducted Abroad

Recipients must ensure that project activities carried on outside the United States are coordinated as necessary with appropriate government authorities and that appropriate licenses, permits, or approvals are obtained.

Article XXVII - Energy Policy and Conservation Act

Recipients must comply with the requirements of the *Energy Policy and Conservation Act*, Pub. L. 94- 163 (1975) (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. section 6201 *et seq.*), which contain policies relating to energy efficiency that are defined in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with this Act.

Article XXVIII - Procurement of Recovered Materials

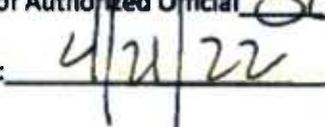
States, political subdivisions of states, and their contractors must comply with Section 6002 of the *Solid Waste Disposal Act*, Pub. L. 89-272 (1965), (codified as amended by the *Resource Conservation and Recovery Act*, 42 U.S.C. section 6962.) The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 C.F.R. Part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition.

Article XXIX - Homeland Security Grant Program Performance Goal

In addition to the Biannual Strategy Implementation Report (BSIR) submission requirements outlined in the Preparedness Grants Manual, recipients must demonstrate how the grant-funded project addressed the core capability gap associated with

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this project and identified in the Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Analysis (THIRA) or Stakeholder Preparedness Review (SPR) or sustains existing capabilities as applicable. The capability gap reduction must be addressed in the Project Description of the BSIR for each project.

Article XXX - Terrorist Financing

Recipients must comply with E.O. 13224 and U.S. laws that prohibit transactions with, and the provisions of resources and support to, individuals and organizations associated with terrorism. Recipients are legally responsible to ensure compliance with the Order and laws.

Article XXXI - Prior Approval for Modification of Approved Budget

Before making any change to the FEMA approved budget for this award, you must request prior written approval from FEMA where required by 2 C.F.R. section 200.308. FEMA is also utilizing its discretion to impose an additional restriction under 2 C.F.R. section 200.308(f) regarding the transfer of funds among direct cost categories, programs, functions, or activities. Therefore, for awards with an approved budget where the federal share is greater than the simplified acquisition threshold (currently \$250,000), you may not transfer funds among direct cost categories, programs, functions, or activities without prior written approval from FEMA where the cumulative amount of such transfers exceeds or is expected to exceed ten percent (10%) of the total budget FEMA last approved. You must report any deviations from your FEMA approved budget in the first Federal Financial Report (SF-425) you submit following any budget deviation, regardless of whether the budget deviation requires prior written approval.

Article XXXII - Hotel and Motel Fire Safety Act of 1990

In accordance with Section 6 of the *Hotel and Motel Fire Safety Act of 1990*, 15 U.S.C. section 2225a, recipients must ensure that all conference, meeting, convention, or training space funded in whole or in part with federal funds complies with the fire prevention and control guidelines of the *Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974*, (codified as amended at 15 U.S.C. section 2225.)

Article XXXIII - Duplication of Benefits

Any cost allocable to a particular federal financial assistance award provided for in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart E may not be charged to other federal financial assistance awards to overcome fund deficiencies; to avoid restrictions imposed by federal statutes, regulations, or federal financial assistance award terms and conditions; or for other reasons. However, these prohibitions would not preclude recipients from shifting costs that are allowable under two or more awards in accordance with existing federal statutes, regulations, or the federal financial assistance award terms and conditions.

Article XXXIV - Fly America Act of 1974

Recipients must comply with Preference for U.S. Flag Air Carriers (air carriers holding certificates under 49 U.S.C. section 41102) for international air transportation of people and property to the extent that such service is available, in accordance with the *International Air Transportation Fair Competitive Practices Act of 1974*, 49 U.S.C. section 40118, and the interpretative guidelines issued by the Comptroller General of the United States in the March 31, 1981, amendment to Comptroller General Decision B-138942.

Article XXXV - Reporting of Matters Related to Recipient Integrity and Performance

If the total value of any currently active grants, cooperative agreements, and procurement contracts from all federal awarding agencies exceeds \$10,000,000 for any period of time during the period of performance of this federal award, then the recipients must comply with the requirements set forth in the government-wide Award Term and Condition for Recipient Integrity and Performance Matters located at 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix XII, the full text of which is incorporated here by reference in the award terms and conditions.

Article XXXVI - Lobbying Prohibitions

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Recipients must comply with 31 U.S.C. section 1352, which provides that none of the funds provided under a federal financial assistance award may be expended by the recipient to pay any person to influence, or attempt to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any federal action related to a federal award or contract, including any extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification.

Article XXXVII - False Claims Act and Program Fraud Civil Remedies

Recipients must comply with the requirements of the *False Claims Act*, 31 U.S.C. sections 3729- 3733, which prohibit the submission of false or fraudulent claims for payment to the federal government. (See 31 U.S.C. sections 3801-3812, which details the administrative remedies for false claims and statements made.)

Article XXXVIII - Federal Debt Status

All recipients are required to be non-delinquent in their repayment of any federal debt. Examples of relevant debt include delinquent payroll and other taxes, audit disallowances, and benefit overpayments. (See OMB Circular A-129.)

Article XXXIX - Nondiscrimination in Matters Pertaining to Faith-Based Organizations

It is OHS policy to ensure the equal treatment of faith-based organizations in social service programs administered or supported by OHS or its component agencies, enabling those organizations to participate in providing important social services to beneficiaries. Recipients must comply with the equal treatment policies and requirements contained in 8 C.F.R. Part 19 and other applicable statutes, regulations, and guidance governing the participations of faith-based organizations in individual OHS programs.

Article XL - Disposition of Equipment Acquired Under the Federal Award

When original or replacement equipment acquired under this award by the recipient or its subrecipients is no longer needed for the original project or program or for other activities currently or previously supported by a federal awarding agency, you must request instructions from FEMA to make proper disposition of the equipment pursuant to 2 C.F.R. section 200.313.

Article XLI - Education Amendments of 1972 (Equal Opportunity in Education Act)- Title IX

Recipients must comply with the requirements of Title IX of the *Education Amendments of 1972*, Pub. L. 92-318 (1972) (codified as amended at 20 U.S.C. section 1681 *et seq.*), which provide that no person in the United States will, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving federal financial assistance. OHS implementing regulations are codified at C.F.R. Part 17 and 44 C.F.R. Part 19.

Article XLII - Copyright

Recipients must affix the applicable copyright notices of 17 U.S.C. sections 401 or 402 and an acknowledgement of U.S. Government sponsorship (including the award number) to any work first produced under federal financial assistance awards.

Article XLIII - Reporting Subawards and Executive Compensation

Recipients are required to comply with the requirements set forth in the government-wide award term on Reporting Subawards and Executive Compensation located at 2 C.F.R. Part 170, Appendix A, the full text of which is incorporated here by reference in the award terms and conditions.

Article XLIV - Use of DHS Seal, Logo and Flags

Recipients must obtain permission from their OHS FAQ prior to using the OHS seal(s), logos, crests or reproductions of flags or likenesses of OHS agency officials, including use of the United States Coast Guard seal, logo, crests or reproductions of flags or likenesses of Coast Guard officials.

Article XLV - Whistleblower Protection Act

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Recipients must comply with the statutory requirements for whistleblower protections (if applicable) at 10 U.S.C. section 2409, 41 U.S.C. section 4712, and 10 U.S.C. section 2324, 41 U.S.C. sections 4304 and 4310.

Article XLVI • Assurances, Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, Representations and Certifications

OHS financial assistance recipients must complete either the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Standard Form 4248 Assurances - Non-Construction Programs, or OMB Standard Form 4240 Assurances - Construction Programs, as applicable. Certain assurances in these documents may not be applicable to your program, and the OHS financial assistance office (OHS FAO) may require applicants to certify additional assurances. Applicants are required to fill out the assurances applicable to their program as instructed by the awarding agency. Please contact the OHS FAO if you have any questions.

OHS financial assistance recipients are required to follow the applicable provisions of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards located at Title 2, Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) Part 200, and adopted by OHS at 2 C.F.R. Part 3002.

By accepting this agreement, the recipient and its executives, as defined in 2 C.F.R. section 170.315, certify that the recipient's policies are in accordance with OMB's guidance located at 2 C.F.R. Part 200, all applicable federal laws, and relevant Executive guidance.

Article XLVII • Patents and Intellectual Property Rights

Recipients are subject to the *Bayh-Dole Act*, 35 U.S.C. section 200 *et seq.*, unless otherwise provided by law. Recipients are subject to the specific requirements governing the development, reporting, and disposition of rights to inventions and patents resulting from federal financial assistance awards located at 37 C.F.R. Part 401 and the standard patent rights clause located at 37 C.F.R. section 401.14.

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NOTE: The grant terms and conditions must be submitted with the grant acceptance

1. **Allowable Costs:** The allowability of costs incurred under any grant shall be determined in accordance with the general principles of allowability and standards for selected cost items as set forth in the applicable 2 CFR 200 and the FFY 2021 U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Grant Program Guidance and Application Kit. The applicant assures that it will comply and all its sub-recipients and contractors will comply, with the applicable provisions of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, FFY 2021 Homeland Security Grant Program Guidance and Application Kit, and all other applicable federal laws, orders, circulars or regulations.
2. **Freedom of Information Act (FOIA):** FEMA recognizes that much of the information submitted in the course of applying for funding under this program or provided in the course of its grant management activities may be considered law enforcement sensitive or otherwise important to national security interests. While this information under Federal control is subject to requests made pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5. U.S.C. §552, all determinations concerning the release of information of this nature are made on a case-by-case basis by the FEMA FOIA Office, and may likely fall within one or more of the available exemptions under the Act. The applicant is encouraged to consult its own State and local laws and regulations regarding the release of information, which should be considered when reporting sensitive matters in the grant application, needs assessment and strategic planning process. The applicant may also consult FEMA regarding concerns or questions about the release of information under State and local laws. The grantee should be familiar with the regulations governing Sensitive Security Information (49 CFR Part 1520), as it may provide additional protection to certain classes of homeland security information.
3. **Availability of Federal Funds:** This grant award is contingent upon availability of federal funds approved by Congress.
4. **Bidding Requirements:** The subrecipient must comply with proper competitive bidding procedures as 2 CFR 200.310-316 and 2 CFR 200.317-326. On any items, including those bids in the aggregate, whose total cost is less than \$5,000, the bids do not have to be submitted to the DOS for review and approval; but adequate documentation must be maintained in the subrecipient's files. On any items, including those bids in the aggregate, whose total cost is \$5,000 or more, bids must be submitted to DOS, if requested.

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- a. Buy American Act SEE ARTICLE II herein) : In general, grantees are not required to comport with the restrictions of the Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. 10a) However, grants authorized under the Stafford Act, including EMPG program, must follow these standards. The Buy American Act requires that all materials purchased be produced in the United States, unless such materials are not available, or such purchases would not be in the public interest
5. **Bonding:** It is strongly recommended that all officials identified on this grant who have authority to obligate, expend or approve expenditures be bonded for an amount no less than the total amount of the grant.
6. **Closed-Captioning of Public Service Announcements:** Any television public service announcement that is produced or funded in whole or in part by any agency or instrumentality of the federal government shall include closed captioning of the verbal content of such announcement.
7. **Compliance Agreement:** The subrecipient agrees to abide by all Terms and Conditions including "Special Conditions" placed upon the grant award by DOS. Failure to comply could result in a "Stop Payment" being placed on the grant.
8. **Conflict Of Interest:** Per 2 CFR 200 Recipients and subrecipients must disclose in writing to FEMA or its pass through entity, any potential conflict of interest in the Federal award's lifecycle. Personnel and other officials connected with this grant shall refer to the advice below but insure that a local policy is in place to comply generalized paraphrased policy sample herein and given below:
Advice: No official or employee of a state or unit of local government or of non-government grantees/subrecipients shall participate personally through decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, the rendering of advice, investigation, or otherwise in any proceeding, application, request for a ruling or other determination, contract, grant, cooperative agreement, claim, controversy, or other particular matter in which these funds are used, where to his knowledge he or his immediate family, partners, organization other than a public agency in which he is serving as officer, director, trustee, partner, or employee or any person or organization with whom he is negotiating or has any arrangement concerning prospective employment, has a financial interest.
Appearance: In the use of these grant funds, officials or employees of state or local units of government and non-governmental grantees/subrecipients shall avoid any action which might result in, or create the appearance of the following:
- Using his or her official position for private gain;
 - Giving preferential treatment to any person;
 - Losing complete independence or impartiality;
 - Making an official decision outside official channels; and/or
 - Adversely affecting the confidence of the public in the integrity of the government or the program.
- Recipients and subrecipients must disclose, in a timely manner and in writing to FEMA or the pass-through entity, all violations of Federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity potentially affecting the Federal award.
9. **Consultants:** Billings for consultants who are individuals must include at a minimum: a description of services; dates of services; number of hours for services performed; rate charged for services; and, the total cost of services performed. Individual consultant costs must be within the prevailing rates, not to exceed the maximum of \$650.00 per day. Permission for costs that exceed \$650 per day in total will need to be granted by DOS who must seek approval for DHS/FEMA for an increased rate.
10. **Continuation:** The applicant agrees that if the requested project is funded continuation is not guaranteed.
11. **Contract Requirements:** The applicant agrees that no contract or agreement may be entered into by the subrecipient for execution of project activities or provision for services to a sub grant project (other than the purchase of supplies or standard commercial or maintenance services) which is not incorporated in the approved application. Any such arrangements will provide that the subrecipient will retain ultimate control and responsibility for the project and that the contractor will be bound by these conditions as well as the subrecipient.
12. **Construction Projects:** NSGP Program is effectively considered a non-construction program. However, subrecipients using funds for ancillary construction projects/work must comply with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141 et seq.). Grant recipients must ensure that their contractors or subcontractors for construction projects pay workers employed directly at the work-site no less than the prevailing wages and fringe benefits paid on projects of a similar character. Additional information, including Department of Labor (DOL) wage determination, is available from the following website: <http://www.wdol.gov>.
13. **Data Collection:** The recipient agrees to cooperate with any assessments, national evaluation efforts, or information or data collection requests, including, but not limited to, the provision of any information required for the assessment or evaluation of any activities within this agreement.

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14. **Deobligation of Grant Funds:** All grants must be deobligated at the end of the end of the grant period. Failure to deobligate the grant in a timely manner will result in an automatic deobligation of the grant by DOS.
15. **Disclosure of Federal Participation:** In compliance with Section 623 of Public Law 102-141, the subrecipient agrees that no amount of this award shall be used to finance the acquisition of goods and services (including construction services) for the project unless the subrecipient agrees to the following:
 - Specifies in any announcement of the awarding of the contract for the procurement of the goods and services involved (including construction services) the amount of federal funds that will be used to finance the acquisition and
 - Expresses the amount announced pursuant to paragraph (a) as a percentage of the total cost of the planned acquisition.The above requirements only apply to a procurement for goods or services (including construction services) that has an aggregate value of \$500,000 or more.
16. **Equipment:** The subrecipient agrees that, when practicable, any equipment purchased with grant funding shall be prominently marked as follows: "Purchased with funds provided by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the NH Department of Safety - Grants Management Unit." Additionally, when practicable, any equipment purchased with funding under this agreement shall bear on it the logos of the NH Department of Safety - Grants Management Unit and U.S. Department of Homeland Security.
17. **Financial Responsibility:** The financial responsibility of subrecipients must be such that the subrecipient can properly discharge the public trust which accompanies the authority to expend public funds. Adequate accounting systems should meet the following criteria:
 - Accounting records should provide information needed to adequately identify the receipt of funds under each grant awarded and the expenditure of funds for each grant;
 - Entries in accounting records should refer to subsidiary records and/or documentation which support the entry and which can be readily located;
 - The accounting system should provide accurate and current financial reporting information; and,
 - The accounting system should be integrated with an adequate system of internal controls to safeguard the funds and assets covered, check the accuracy and reliability of accounting data, promote operational efficiency and encourage adherence to prescribed management policies.
18. **Interest and Other Program Income:** The applicant agrees to be accountable for all interest or other income earned by the subrecipient with respect to sub grant funds or as a result of conduct of the project (sale of publications, registration fees, service charges, etc.) All program income generated by this grant during the project must be reported to DOS quarterly and must be put back into the project or be used to reduce the grantor participation in the program. The use or planned use of all program income must have prior written approval from DOS.
19. **Interoperable Equipment:** Grantee is responsible for all license requirements resulting from a potential grant. Equipment must meet DHS/FEMA recommended P-25 compatible standards
20. **Legal Action:** The subrecipient agrees that should the NH Department of Safety - Grants Management Unit determine that it needs to take legal action against the subrecipient for actions arising out of the grant, the subrecipient will waive jurisdiction and have the case heard in either state or federal court in Concord, New Hampshire.
21. **Obligation of Grant Funds:** Grant funds may not be obligated prior to the effective date of the approved grant application and without advance written approval by DOS. No obligations are allowed after the end of the grant period and the final request for payment must be submitted no later than 30 calendar days before the end of the grant period.
22. **Performance:** This grant may be terminated or fund payments discontinued by DOS where it finds a substantial failure to comply with the provisions of the legislation governing these funds or regulations promulgated, including those grant conditions or other obligations established by DOS. In the event the subrecipient fails to perform the services described herein and has previously received financial assistance from DOS, the subrecipient shall reimburse DOS the full amount of the payments made. However, if the services described herein are partially performed, and the subrecipient has previously received financial assistance, the subrecipient shall proportionally reimburse DOS for payments made.
23. **Property Control:** Effective control and accountability must be maintained for all personal property. Subrecipients must adequately safeguard all such property and must assure that it is used solely for authorized purposes. Subrecipients should exercise caution in the use, maintenance, protection and preservation of such property.

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Subrecipients agree to follow the terms of 2 CFR 200.317 – 200.328. In part this includes the following long term obligation (paraphrased here for outline purposes only but not meant to be a substitute for understanding and applying the 2 CFR 200.310-200.316): Management requirements. Procedures for managing equipment (including replacement equipment), whether acquired in whole or in part with grant funds, until disposition takes place will, as a minimum, meet the following requirements:

- (1) Property records must be maintained that include a description of the property, a serial number or other identification number, the source of property, who holds title, the acquisition date, and cost of the property, percentage of Federal participation in the cost of the property, the location, use and condition of the property, and any ultimate disposition data including the date of disposal and sale price of the property.
- (2) A physical inventory of the property must be taken and the results reconciled with the property records at least once every two years.
- (3) A control system must be developed to ensure adequate safeguards to prevent loss, damage, or theft of the property. Any loss, damage, or theft shall be investigated.
- (4) Adequate maintenance procedures must be developed to keep the property in good condition.
- (5) If the grantee or subrecipient is authorized or required to sell the property, proper sales procedures must be established to ensure the highest possible return.

Disposition. Must be reported to Grants Management and completed in accordance with 2 CFR 200. In cases where a grantee or subrecipient fails to take appropriate disposition actions, the awarding agency may direct the grantee or subrecipient to take excess and disposition actions.

Federal equipment. In the event a grantee or subrecipient is provided federally-owned equipment:

- (1) Title will remain vested in the Federal Government.
- (2) Grantees or subrecipients will manage the equipment in accordance with Federal agency rules and procedures, and submit an annual inventory listing.
- (3) When the equipment is no longer needed, the grantee or subrecipient will request disposition instructions from the Federal agency.

Right to transfer title. The Federal awarding agency may reserve the right to transfer title to the Federal Government or a third party named by the awarding agency when such a third party is otherwise eligible under existing statutes. Such transfers shall be subject to the following standards:

- (1) The property shall be identified in the grant or otherwise made known to the grantee in writing.
- (2) The Federal awarding agency shall issue disposition instruction within 120 calendar days after the end of the Federal support of the project for which it was acquired. If the Federal awarding agency fails to issue disposition instructions within the 120 calendar-day period the grantee shall follow 2 CFR 200.
- (3) When title to equipment is transferred, the grantee shall be paid an amount calculated by applying the percentage of participation in the purchase to the current fair market value of the property.

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24. **Records:** The applicant will give the grantor agency or the DHS or the Office of the Inspector General, through any authorized representative, the access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers or documents related to the grant.

25. **Recording and Documentation of Receipts and Expenditures:** Subrecipient's accounting procedures must provide for accurate and timely recording of receipt of funds by source of expenditures made from such funds and unexpended balances. These records must contain information pertaining to grant awards, obligations, unobligated balances, assets, liabilities, expenditures and program income. Controls must be established which are adequate to ensure that expenditures charged to the sub grant activities are for allowable purposes. Additionally, effective control and accountability must be maintained for all grant cash, real and personal property and other assets. Accounting records must be supported by such source documentation as cancelled checks, paid bills, payrolls, time and attendance records, contract documents, grant award documents, etc.

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26. **Reports:** The subrecipient shall submit, at such times and in such form as may be prescribed, such reports as DOS may reasonably require, including financial reports, progress reports, final financial reports and evaluation reports.
27. **Final and fiscal close-out Report:** The report is in addition to the cumulative progress reports and is also due 30 days after the end of the grant period.
28. **Retention of Records:** Records for non-expendable property purchased totally or partially with grantor funds must be retained for three years after its final disposition. All other pertinent grant records including financial records, supporting documents and statistical records shall be retained for a minimum of three years after the final expenditure report. However, if any litigation, claim or audit is started before the expiration of the three year period, then records must be retained for three years after the litigation, claim or audit is resolved. Re: Property records see as previously noted in this section: Subrecipients agree to follow the terms of 2 CFR 200.317 – 200.326. In part this includes the following long term obligation (paraphrased here for outline purposes only but not meant to be a substitute for understanding and applying the 2 CFR 200.310-200.316):
29. **Suspension or Termination of Funding:** DOS may suspend, in whole or in part, and/or terminate funding for or impose another sanction on a subrecipient for any of the following reasons:
- Failure to comply substantially with requirements or statutory objectives of the 2003 Omnibus Appropriations Act issued there under, or other provisions of Federal Law;
 - Failure to adhere to the requirements, standard conditions or special conditions;
 - Proposing or implementing substantial program changes to the extent that, if originally submitted, the application would not have been approved for funding;
 - Failure to submit reports;
 - Filing a false certification in this application or other report or document;
 - Other good cause shown.
30. **Utilization and Payment of Grant Funds:** Funds awarded are to be expended only for purposes and activities covered by the subrecipient's approved project plan and budget. Items must be in the subrecipient's approved grant budget in order to be eligible for reimbursement.
31. **Utilization of Minority Businesses:** Subrecipients are encouraged to utilize qualified minority firms where cost and performance of major contract work will not conflict with funding or time schedules.
32. **Written Approval of Changes:** Any mutually agreed upon changes to this sub grant must be approved, in writing, by DOS prior to implementation or obligation and shall be incorporated in written amendments to this grant. This procedure for changes to the approved sub grant is not limited to budgetary changes, but also includes changes of substance in project activities and changes in the project director or key professional personnel identified in the approved application.

As a condition of the receipt of these funds:

Funding may be suspended or terminated for filing a false certification in this application or other reports or document as part of this program.

Tracking of Equipment:

Upkeep, maintenance, and training of and for equipment procured as part of the Homeland Security Grant Program is a local and/or grantee responsibility. The inventory of this equipment is a local responsibility and the recipient of such understands that inspections, auditing, and inventory accounting of this equipment may occur as a condition of this grant either from Federal, State or other appropriate level agency and agent.

Equipment valued over \$5,000:

To comply with OMB 2 CFR 200 equipment valued at this level must inventoried and tracked locally and be reported to the State Department of Safety (DOS) – Grants Management Unit for 2 years or until the item carries a depreciated value of less than \$250. The disposition of the equipment must be reported. DOS recommends consulting with local auditor's compliance and disposition rules governing equipment procured with Federal funds.

Certification by Official Authorized to Sign

I certify that I understand and agree to comply with the general and fiscal provisions of this grant application including the terms and conditions; to comply with provisions of the regulations governing these funds and all other federal and state laws; that all information presented is correct; that there has been appropriate coordination

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CERTIFICATION BY PROGRAM MANAGER/CONTACT*

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Agency: DNCR

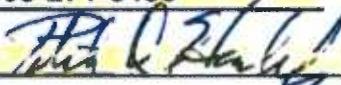
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Signature: 

CERTIFICATION BY FINANCIAL OFFICER*

I certify that: (1) I understand and agree to comply with the general and fiscal provisions of this grant application including the terms and conditions; (2) I understand and agree to comply with provisions of the regulations governing these funds and all other federal and state laws; (3) all information presented is correct; (4) there has been appropriate coordination with affected agencies; (5) I am duly authorized by the applicant to perform the tasks of Financial Officer as they relate to the requirements of this grant application; (6) costs incurred prior to Grantee approval may result in the expenditures being absorbed by the sub-grantee; and, (7) the receipt of these grant funds through the Grantee will not supplant state or local funds.

Christopher Marino

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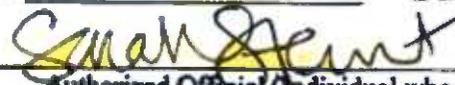
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CERTIFICATION BY AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL*

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*NOTE: THE PROJECT DIRECTOR, FINANCIAL OFFICER AND AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL CANNOT BE THE SAME PERSON.

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Coos County
2021 Operation Stonegarden

Local Benefit Rate = 33.88% Retirement + 1.45% FICA = 35.33%
State Benefit Rate = 33.88 % Retirement + 1.45% FICA = 35.33%
State Fire Benefit Rate = 32.99 Retirement + 1.45 FICA = 34.44%

Vendor: Coos -177270 B006
Account: 500574
Local Activity: 23HS21SGLC / J
State Activity: 23HS21SGST / J

Operations Order Dates: 9/1/21 - 8/31/24

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Name of Equipment	Quantity	Cost	Name of Equipment
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DNCR Fringe Benefits x 34.44% (32.99 ret + 1.45 med)	0.3444	499.04	
DNCR - Mileage - (0.56)	700	392.00	
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TOTAL	TOTAL	2,340.04	Balance
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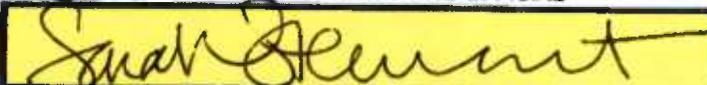
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NOTE: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the awarding agency. Further, certain Federal awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project cost) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the award; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
4. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
5. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
6. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee- 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§801 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and, (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.
7. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal or federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
8. Will comply, as applicable, with provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.

9. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333), regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
10. Will comply, if applicable, with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
11. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
12. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
13. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
14. Will comply with P.L. 93-348 regarding the protection of human subjects involved in research, development, and related activities supported by this award of assistance.
15. Will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-544, as amended, 7 U.S.C. §§2131 et seq.) pertaining to the care, handling, and treatment of warm blooded animals held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.
16. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
17. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
18. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.
19. Will comply with the requirements of Section 106(g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104) which prohibits grant award recipients or a sub-recipient from (1) Engaging in severe forms of trafficking in persons during the period of time that the award is in effect (2) Procuring a commercial sex act during the period of time that the award is in effect or (3) Using forced labor in the performance of the award or subawards under the award.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL 	TITLE Commissioner
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION NH Department of Natural & Cultural Resources	DATE SUBMITTED 4/21/22