



48

61

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

172 Pembroke Road Concord, New Hampshire 03301
Phone: 603-271-2214 Fax: 603-271-6488 www.nhdf.org

February 27, 2024

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, Division of Forests and Lands to budget and expend prior year carry forward funds in the amount of \$7,000, from the Forest and Management Protection Fund for the purpose of purchasing a new vehicle effective upon Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2024. 100% Agency Income.

Funds are to be budgeted in Fiscal Year 2024 as follows:

03-035-035-351010-35050000, Management and Protection Fund

Class-Account- RG	Class Description	FY24 Current Adjusted Authorized	Requested Action	Revised FY24 Adjusted Authorized
009-403596-22	Agency Income	\$1,939,008	\$7,000	\$1,946,008
Total Revenue		\$1,939,008	\$7,000	\$1,946,008
010-500100	Personal Services Perm Class	\$405,906	\$0	\$405,906
020-500200	Current Expenses	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000
022-500257	Rents-Leases Other Than State	\$600	\$0	\$600
027-582703	Transfers to DoIT	\$190,234	\$0	\$190,234
029-500290	Intra-Agency Transfers	\$586,932	\$0	\$586,932
030-500311	Equipment New Replacement	\$183,770	\$7,000	\$190,770
039-500190	Telecommunications	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000
042-500620	Additional Fringe Benefits	\$29,335	\$0	\$29,335
047-500240	Own Forces Maint Build-Grn	\$35,578	\$0	\$35,578
048-500226	Contractual Maint Build-Grn	\$63,000	\$0	\$63,000
049-584923	Transfers to Other Agencies	\$39,000	\$0	\$39,000
050-500109	Personal Service Temp Appoi	\$85,597	\$0	\$85,597
060-500602	Benefits	\$224,649	\$0	\$224,649
066-500543	Employee Training	\$1,500	\$0	\$1,500

070-500705	In State Travel Reimbursement	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000
080-500173	Out of State Travel Reimb	\$1,500	\$0	\$1,500
103-502644	Contracts for Op Services	\$1,406	\$0	\$1,406
Total Expense		\$1,939,008	\$7,000	\$1,946,008

EXPLANATION

The Division of Forests and Lands, Land Management Bureau, recently added the position of a Conservation Easement Forester II, to monitor approximately 250,000 acres of forest land that is held in conservation easements by the state through the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources. This position requires the use of a vehicle to monitor the easements which are contained on 60 different properties across the state. A new vehicle was budgeted in FY 2024, and a fleet increase waiver was approved at Governor and Council on December 20, 2023. However, due to increased vehicle prices since the time the budget was prepared, we are short of funding in the amount of \$7,000.

Funding is available the Forest Management and Protection Fund. Source of funds is 100% Agency Income which is derived from various sources, the majority of which is from the sale of timber on state lands.

The following appropriation authorities are being requested:

Class 030 – Equipment New/Replacement - \$7,000 – Appropriation increase for one new vehicle.

Respectfully submitted,

Concurred,

(194)



 Patrick D. Hackley
 Director



 Sarah L. Stewart
 Commissioner