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New Hampshire
Department of Agriculture,
Markets & Food

Shawn N. Jasper, Commissioner

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April 25, 2024

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

REQUESTED ACTION

1. Authorize the Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food (DAMF), Division of Agricultural Development to provide awards as indicated in the attached table, not to exceed a total of \$238,973.00 from the DAMF Crop Loss Program to ten (10) recipients effective upon Governor and Council approval through September 30, 2024. This is an allowable use of ARPA SFRF funds under Section 602 (c)(1)(C) for provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue. **100% Federal Funds.**
2. Contingent upon the approval of Requested Action #1, authorize DAMF to disburse advance payments to the ten (10) recipients as detailed on the attached list in the amounts shown, effective upon Governor and Council approval. **100% Federal Funds.**

The individual awards for which we are requesting Governor and Executive Council approval are as follows (individual grant agreements and award notices attached):

| Item # | Vendor # | Name of Agricultural Operation, Town | Award Amount Not to Exceed to be Approved | Advance Payment Amount |
|--------|----------|---|---|---------------------------|
| 1 | TBD | Hazelton Orchards, LLC, Chester | \$12,016.00 | \$6,008.00 |
| 2 | TBD | Towle Emery Farm, Durham | \$12,684.00 | \$6,342.00 |
| 3 | TBD | Rossvie Farm, Concord | \$39,670.00 | \$19,835.00 |
| 4 | TBD | Hemingway Farms, Charlestown | \$14,560.00 | \$7,280.00 |
| 5 | TBD | Surowiec Farm, Sanbornton | \$22,764.00 | \$11,382.00 |
| 6 | TBD | Meadow Ledge Farm, Loudon | \$50,121.00 | \$25,060.50 |
| 7 | 494052 | Yawnoc Farm LLC, Jefferson | \$18,184.00 | \$9,092.00 |
| 8 | 154688 | Eccardt Farm, Washington | \$21,047.00 | \$10,523.50 |
| 9 | 491905 | HT Farm, Belmont | \$33,019.00 | \$16,509.50 |
| 10 | TBD | Walker Farm, Bristol | \$14,908.00 | \$7,454.00 |
| | | Total | \$238,973.00 | \$119,486.50 |

Funding is available in account ARPA Emergency Crop Relief as follows:

FY 2024

02-18-18-180010-28140000-072-502627 – Grant – Federal – Discretionary

\$238,973.00

EXPLANATION

On February 21, 2024, Governor and Executive Council approved the funding for the New Hampshire Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food Crop Loss Program (item #59) for the purpose of providing one-time emergency assistance to agricultural operations that experienced significant crop loss due to frosts, freezes, or significant weather-related events between January 1 and November 1 of 2023.

DAMF is accepting applications from eligible farms on a rolling basis through May 15, 2024. Requests for award authorizations for those over \$10,000 will be submitted to the Governor and Executive Council in "batch" approval requests.

The Award shall be administered through advance payments of 50 percent of eligible award amount upon Governor and Executive Council approval. At the conclusion of the program (May 15, 2024) total approved awards will be calculated. If the total of all eligible awards exceeds funding, remaining disbursements will be prorated for all awardees.

Within the total awards issued by DAMF in this batch, awards not to exceed \$238,973.00 are being submitted for approval by Governor and Executive Council as part of this request because they exceed the \$10,000 per entity threshold. Attached you will find a cumulative list of awards issued.

To avoid delay in payments to these agricultural operations, you will notice on the table that some do not have vendor codes at the time of request. DAMF is working with Department of Administrative Services to verify existing vendor codes or create new ones for these districts.

The Attorney General's Office has reviewed and approved the agreement as to form, substance, and execution.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shawn N. Jasper". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end of the last name.

Shawn N. Jasper
Commissioner

Cumulative Tables:

| Approved by G&C Date | Vendor # | Name of Agricultural Operation, Town | Award Amount Not to Exceed to be Approved | Advance Payment Amount |
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| Pending 5/01/2024 | TBD | Hazelton Orchards, LLC, Chester | \$12,016.00 | \$6,008.00 |
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| Pending 5/01/2024 | 491905 | HT Farm, Belmont | \$33,019.00 | \$16,509.50 |
| Pending 5/01/2024 | TBD | Walker Farm, Bristol | \$14,908.00 | \$7,454.00 |
| 4/10/24 | 279708 | Morrill Farm Dairy LLC, Penacook | \$63,341.00 | \$31,670.50 |
| 4/10/24 | 156055 | Windyhurst Farm Partnership, Westmoreland | \$47,774.00 | \$23,887.00 |
| 4/10/24 | 489518 | Lorraine T. Rodier, New Ipswich | \$16,328.00 | \$8,164.00 |
| 4/10/24 | 155152 | Pine Lane Farm LLC, Contoocook | \$55,713.00 | \$27,856.50 |
| 4/10/24 | 319673 | LeClair Acres LLC, Claremont | \$149,115.00 | \$74,557.50 |
| 4/10/24 | 157643 | Apple Hill Farm, Concord | \$124,649.00 | \$62,324.50 |
| 4/10/24 | 264588 | Mckenzie Farm, Milton | \$97,588.00 | \$48,794.00 |
| 4/10/24 | 493815 | Kathryn C. Kardinal, Gilmanton Iron Works | \$26,908.00 | \$13,454.00 |
| 4/10/24 | 297802 | Ridgeland Farm, Loudon | \$10,247.00 | \$5,123.50 |
| 4/10/24 | 489428 | Alyson's Orchard, Walpole | \$109,877.00 | \$54,938.50 |
| 3/27/24 | 159527 | Marston Farm, LLC, Pittsfield | \$27,964.00 | \$13,982.00 |
| 3/27/24 | 489433 | Oliver Merrill & Sons, LLC, Londonderry | \$15,631.00 | \$7,815.50 |

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|---------|--------|--------------------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| 3/27/24 | 280897 | Gould Hill Farm, LLC, Hopkinton | \$53,088.00 | \$26,544.00 |
| 3/27/24 | 329821 | Kimball Fruit Farm LLC, Hollis | \$17,244.00 | \$8,622.00 |
| 3/27/24 | TBD | Wende Richter, Belmont | \$11,096.00 | \$5,548.00 |
| 3/27/24 | 489702 | Stone Mountain Farm, LLC, Belmont | \$23,048.00 | \$11,524.00 |
| | | | | |
| | | Total | \$1,088,584.00 | \$544,292.00 |

Marshall, Joshua

From: Marshall, Joshua
Sent: Thursday, April 25, 2024 3:27 PM
To: lorna hazelton
Subject: RE: NHDAMF - ARPA SFRF Crop Loss Program Award Notice

New Hampshire

Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food

Date: 4/25/2024

Applicant: Hazelton Orchards, LLC

Grant Program: NHDAMF Crop Loss Program

Farm ID: 1010

We have reviewed your Crop Loss Program application and determined that based on the information and supporting documentation you provided in your application regarding 2023 weather-related crop loss, you are eligible for an award not to exceed \$12,016.00

Please note that this award notice is still subject to final approval by the Governor and Executive Council.

How to Receive Payment:

Payment for 50 percent of the award in the above amount will be sent to you once we receive Governor and Executive Council approval. As funding allows, the remainder of your award, or prorated portion thereof, will be sent to you after the close of the program.

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Recoupment:

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Best,
New Hampshire Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food

Marshall, Joshua

From: Marshall, Joshua
Sent: Thursday, April 25, 2024 3:29 PM
To: bmtowle5@comcast.net
Subject: NHDAMF - ARPA SFRF Crop Loss Program Award Notice

New Hampshire

Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food

Date: 4/25/2024

Applicant: Towle Emery Farm

Grant Program: NHDAMF Crop Loss Program

Farm ID: 1027

We have reviewed your Crop Loss Program application and determined that based on the information and supporting documentation you provided in your application regarding 2023 weather-related crop loss, you are eligible for an award not to exceed \$12,684.00

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Marshall, Joshua

From: Marshall, Joshua
Sent: Thursday, April 25, 2024 3:31 PM
To: Rossvie Farm
Subject: NHDAMF - ARPA SFRF Crop Loss Program Award Notice

New Hampshire
*Department of Agriculture,
Markets, and Food*

Date: 4/25/2024

Applicant: Rossvie Farm

Grant Program: NHDAMF Crop Loss Program

Farm ID: 1028

We have reviewed your Crop Loss Program application and determined that based on the information and supporting documentation you provided in your application regarding 2023 weather-related crop loss, you are eligible for an award not to exceed \$39,670.00

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Marshall, Joshua

From: Marshall, Joshua
Sent: Thursday, April 25, 2024 3:33 PM
To: amy.hemingway@gmail.com
Subject: NHDAMF - ARPA SFRF Crop Loss Program Award Notice

New Hampshire

Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food

Date: 4/25/2024

Applicant: Hemingway Farms

Grant Program: NHDAMF Crop Loss Program

Farm ID: 1030

We have reviewed your Crop Loss Program application and determined that based on the information and supporting documentation you provided in your application regarding 2023 weather-related crop loss, you are eligible for an award not to exceed \$14,560.00

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Marshall, Joshua

From: Marshall, Joshua
Sent: Thursday, April 25, 2024 3:35 PM
To: surowiecfarm@aol.com
Subject: NHDAMF - ARPA SFRF Crop Loss Program Award Notice

New Hampshire

Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food

Date: 4/25/2024

Applicant: Surowiec Farm

Grant Program: NHDAMF Crop Loss Program

Farm ID: 1032

We have reviewed your Crop Loss Program application and determined that based on the information and supporting documentation you provided in your application regarding 2023 weather-related crop loss, you are eligible for an award not to exceed \$22,764.00

Please note that this award notice is still subject to final approval by the Governor and Executive Council.

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Marshall, Joshua

From: Marshall, Joshua
Sent: Thursday, April 25, 2024 3:37 PM
To: Ernest Roberts
Subject: NHDAMF - ARPA SFRF Crop Loss Program Award Notice

New Hampshire

Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food

Date: 4/25/2024

Applicant: Meadow Ledge Farm

Grant Program: NHDAMF Crop Loss Program

Farm ID: 1033

We have reviewed your Crop Loss Program application and determined that based on the information and supporting documentation you provided in your application regarding 2023 weather-related crop loss, you are eligible for an award not to exceed \$50,121.00

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Marshall, Joshua

From: Marshall, Joshua
Sent: Thursday, April 25, 2024 3:38 PM
To: Dave & Cathy Conway
Subject: NHDAMF - ARPA SFRF Crop Loss Program Award Notice

New Hampshire

*Department of Agriculture,
Markets, and Food*

Date: 4/25/2024

Applicant: Yawnoc Farm LLC

Grant Program: NHDAMF Crop Loss Program

Farm ID: 1034

We have reviewed your Crop Loss Program application and determined that based on the information and supporting documentation you provided in your application regarding 2023 weather-related crop loss, you are eligible for an award not to exceed \$18,184.00

Please note that this award notice is still subject to final approval by the Governor and Executive Council.

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Marshall, Joshua

From: Marshall, Joshua
Sent: Thursday, April 25, 2024 3:40 PM
To: eccardtfarm@gsinet.net
Subject: NHDAMF - ARPA SFRF Crop Loss Program Award Notice

New Hampshire

Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food

Date: 4/25/2024

Applicant: Eccardt Farm

Grant Program: NHDAMF Crop Loss Program

Farm ID: 1035

We have reviewed your Crop Loss Program application and determined that based on the information and supporting documentation you provided in your application regarding 2023 weather-related crop loss, you are eligible for an award not to exceed \$21,047.00

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Marshall, Joshua

From: Marshall, Joshua
Sent: Thursday, April 25, 2024 3:43 PM
To: hdloring@hotmail.com
Subject: NHDAMF - ARPA SFRF Crop Loss Program Award Notice

New Hampshire
*Department of Agriculture,
Markets, and Food*

Date: 4/25/2024

Applicant: HT Farm

Grant Program: NHDAMF Crop Loss Program

Farm ID: 1038

We have reviewed your Crop Loss Program application and determined that based on the information and supporting documentation you provided in your application regarding 2023 weather-related crop loss, you are eligible for an award not to exceed \$33,019.00

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Marshall, Joshua

From: Marshall, Joshua
Sent: Thursday, April 25, 2024 3:44 PM
To: tlittleloulou@aol.com
Subject: NHDAMF - ARPA SFRF Crop Loss Program Award Notice

New Hampshire

Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food

Date: 4/25/2024

Applicant: Walker Farm

Grant Program: NHDAMF Crop Loss Program

Farm ID: 1037

We have reviewed your Crop Loss Program application and determined that based on the information and supporting documentation you provided in your application regarding 2023 weather-related crop loss, you are eligible for an award not to exceed \$14,908.00

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How to Receive Payment:

Payment for 50 percent of the award in the above amount will be sent to you once we receive Governor and Executive Council approval. As funding allows, the remainder of your award, or prorated portion thereof, will be sent to you after the close of the program.

In order to receive payment, you must first be registered with the New Hampshire Department of Administrative Services (DAS) for a State of New Hampshire vendor ID. If you already have a vendor ID and supplied it with your application, payment will be made once we receive Governor and Council approval. If you do not already have a vendor ID, please follow the steps below and after you receive your vendor ID from DAS send it via email to NHDAMF at croprelief@agr.nh.gov.

Recoupment:

As represented in the application, Applicant certifies that all information provided in the application is true, complete, accurate, and up-to-date as of the date of this award. Should a misrepresentation or inaccuracy be uncovered, Applicant is subject to recoupment and liable for repayment for the entirety of the award at the discretion of the state.

Sovereign Immunity Preserved:

Notwithstanding any terms and conditions to the contrary, this Award shall not be construed as a waiver of the State's sovereign immunity, which is hereby reserved.

Conditional Nature of Agreement:

Notwithstanding anything in this Award to the contrary, all obligations of the Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food, including, without limitation, the continuance of payments, are contingent upon the availability or continued appropriation of funds, and in no event shall the Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food be liable for any payments in excess of such available funds. In the event of a reduction or termination of those funds, the Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food has 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 Applicant notice of such termination.

Best,
New Hampshire Department of Agriculture, Markets, and Food