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March 21, 2024

The Honorable Ken Weyler, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court and

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

Requested Action

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department (NHFG) to accept and expend \$358,810 from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) for the purpose of acquiring 187.58 +/- acres in the Town of Springfield, effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approvals through June 30, 2024. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds to be budgeted as follows:

WILDLIFE HABITAT CONSERVATION						
03-75-75-751520-21550000						
Fiscal Year 2024						
	Expense	Class Description	Revenue	Current	Requested Action	Adjusted
000		FEDERAL FUNDS	404705-16	\$2,462,885	\$358,810	\$2,821,695
007		AGENCY INCOME	407629-24	40,280	0	40,280
008		AGENCY INCOME	405234-10	1,472,046	0	1,472,046
009		AGENCY INCOME	405462-14	3,140	0	3,140
Total				\$3,978,351	\$358,810	\$4,337,161
Expense						
010	500100	PERSONAL SERVICES		62,840	0	62,840
020	500200	CURRENT EXPENSES		1,300	0	1,300
022	500255	RENTS/LEASES		564	0	564
029	500290	INTRA-AGENCY TNFRS		15,000	0	15,000
030	500311	EQUIPMENT		170,073	0	170,073
033	500150	LAND ACQUISITIONS	404705-16	3,002,204	358,451	3,360,655
041	500801	AUDIT FUND SET	404705-16	2,457	359	2,816
049	584935	TSFRS TO OTH AGEN.		45,247	0	45,247
050	500109	PERSONAL SVCS TEMP		37,675	0	37,675
060	500602	BENEFITS		27,011	0	27,011
070	500704	IN STATE TRAVEL		2,000	0	2,000
073	500578	GRANTS NON FEDERAL		60,000	0	60,000
080	500710	OUT OF STATE TRAVEL		3,000	0	3,000
304	500841	RESEARCH &		498,980	0	498,980
305	500845	HABITAT, ACQUIS. &		50,000	0	50,000
Total				\$3,978,351	\$358,810	\$4,337,161

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Explanation

NHFG proposes to acquire the fee interest from Jennifer Lyn Shaw to 187.58 acres of land located in the Town of Springfield, Sullivan County, which will be added to the statewide Wildlife Management Area system for the protection of wild birds and mammals and their habitat, and to protect and provide for compatible public access to these resources.

This acquisition project presents an opportunity to protect additional acreage of upland forest directly abutting the new Carter Brook Wildlife Management Area, and the 6,679 acre Gile State Forest to build greater connectivity between existing conservation lands in the area. The 187.58 acre Shaw property will extend the area of contiguous state land at that location to more than 7,500 acres, and improve connectivity to Carter Brook WMA, McDaniel's Marsh WMA, Grafton Pond Reservation, Springfield Town Forest, and the Johnson Farm (a 289 acre parcel to be bequeathed to the Department). The increased acreage of conservation land will enhance the wildlife corridor areas for wide ranging mammals such as bear, moose, fisher and deer.

The property's land cover is dominated by hemlock-hardwood-pine and northern hardwood conifer forest containing areas of mast-producing species such as oak, beech and black cherry. Along with the species mentioned above, it will also provide breeding and feeding habitat for turkeys and numerous neo-tropical migrant songbirds. The 2020 NH Wildlife Action Plan identifies the majority of the parcel as supporting landscape and a significant wildlife corridor has been identified within a majority of the property.

The property will be acquired by NHFG using federal USFWS Wildlife Restoration Program funds. The appraised fair market value of the property is \$420,000, and the total project costs are \$478,414. Jennifer Lyn Shaw has agreed to the purchase price of \$315,000 and has offered a bargain sale of \$105,000 which will established the required 25% non-federal match. Other necessary and due diligence project costs total \$43,810 for a total expense of \$358,810 to complete the acquisition.

This acquisition is part of an effort to use Wildlife Restoration Program funds from the USFWS to expand and enhance the statewide Wildlife Management Area system. The purchase of this property will protect significant wildlife habitats and add to the area that is permanently available to the public for hunting, fishing and other wildlife related recreational activities.

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

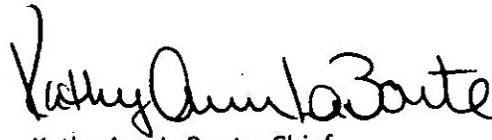
Funds are being budgeted in Class 041-Audit Fund Set Aside to comply with RSA 124:16 that requires all agencies which receive federal funds to set aside a percentage (.1%) of the federal revenue amount received to pay for financial and compliance audits.

General Funds will not be requested to support this project.

Respectfully submitted,



Scott R. Mason
Executive Director



Kathy Ann LaBonte, Chief
Business Division

**NEW HAMPSHIRE FISH & GAME DEPARTMENT
FY24 FISCAL SITUATION**

**WILDLIFE HABITAT CONSERVATION
03-75-75-751520-21550000**

Total Federal Authorization	\$ 6,705,722.00
Less Budgeted in 2155 FY24	\$ 2,462,885.00
Less Budgeted in 2155 FY25	\$ 788,811.00
Less Budgeted in 2150 FY24 and FY25	\$ 520,000.00
Less Budgeted Indirect FY24 and FY25	\$ 114,000.00
Less Funds Expended in Prior Fiscal Years	\$ 886,137.26
Total Available for Budgeting	<u>\$ 1,933,888.74</u>

Available to Budget at Later Date	<u>\$ 1,575,078.74</u>
REQUESTED ACTION	<u>\$ 358,810.00</u>

<u>Federal Grant</u>	<u>Grant Amount</u>	<u>Expended or Budgeted</u>	<u>Balance</u>
F21AF04030 (W108L2)	\$ 5,004,356.00	\$ 3,120,447.64	\$ 1,883,908.36
F22AF03670 (W11D78)	\$ 1,701,366.00	\$ 1,651,385.62	\$ 49,980.38
	<u>\$ 6,705,722.00</u>	<u>\$ 4,771,833.26</u>	<u>\$ 1,933,888.74</u>

Note: The Department's Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (NICRA) allows indirect costs on salaries and benefits only. The figure shown above for budgeted indirect includes the total estimated amount of federal reimbursement for agency indirect costs associated with these grants.

NOTICE OF AWARD



AUTHORIZATION (Legislation/Regulations)

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

1. DATE ISSUED MM/DD/YYYY 1a. SUPERSEDES AWARD NOTICE dated 08/14/2023
02/06/2024 except that any additions or restrictions previously imposed remain in effect unless specifically rescinded

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

3. ASSISTANCE TYPE Formula Grant

4. GRANT NO. F21AF04030-05 5. TYPE OF AWARD
Originating MCA # Other

4a. FAJN F21AF04030 5a. ACTION TYPE Post Award Amendment

6. PROJECT PERIOD MM/DD/YYYY
From 08/01/2021 Through 08/30/2026

7. BUDGET PERIOD MM/DD/YYYY
From 08/01/2021 Through 08/30/2026

8. TITLE OF PROJECT (OR PROGRAM)
NH W-108-L-2 State Wildlife Management Area Enhancement

9a. GRANTEE NAME AND ADDRESS
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ALL AMOUNTS ARE SHOWN IN USD

11. APPROVED BUDGET (Excludes Direct Assistance)		12. AWARD COMPUTATION					
I Financial Assistance from the Federal Awarding Agency Only		I		a. Amount of Federal Financial Assistance (from item 11m)	\$ 5,004,356.00		
II Total project costs including grant funds and all other financial participation		II		b. Less Unobligated Balance From Prior Budget Periods	\$ 0.00		
a. Salaries and Wages	\$ 128,000.00			c. Less Cumulative Prior Award(s) This Budget Period	\$ 5,004,356.00		
b. Fringe Benefits	\$ 72,000.00			d. AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE THIS ACTION	\$ 0.00		
c. Total Personnel Costs	\$ 200,000.00			13. Total Federal Funds Awarded to Date for Project Period	\$ 5,004,356.00		
d. Equipment	\$ 0.00			14. RECOMMENDED FUTURE SUPPORT (Subject to the availability of funds and satisfactory progress of the project):			
e. Supplies	\$ 0.00			YEAR	TOTAL DIRECT COSTS	YEAR	TOTAL DIRECT COSTS
f. Travel	\$ 3,000.00			a. 2	\$	d. 5	\$
g. Construction	\$ 0.00			b. 3	\$	e. 6	\$
h. Other	\$ 6,497,202.54			c. 4	\$	f. 7	\$
i. Contractual	\$ 171,375.00			15. PROGRAM INCOME SHALL BE USED IN ACCORD WITH ONE OF THE FOLLOWING ALTERNATIVES:			
j. TOTAL DIRECT COSTS	\$ 6,871,577.54			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. DEDUCTION b. ADDITIONAL COSTS c. MATCHING d. OTHER RESEARCH (Add / Deduct Option) e. OTHER (See REMARKS) 			
k. INDIRECT COSTS	\$ 40,000.00			16. THIS AWARD IS BASED ON AN APPLICATION SUBMITTED TO, AND AS APPROVED BY, THE FEDERAL AWARDING AGENCY ON THE ABOVE TITLED PROJECT AND IS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS INCORPORATED EITHER DIRECTLY OR BY REFERENCE IN THE FOLLOWING: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The grant program legislation b. The grant program regulations. c. This award notice including terms and conditions, if any, noted below under REMARKS. d. Federal administrative requirements, cost principles and audit requirements applicable to this grant. In the event there are conflicting or otherwise inconsistent policies applicable to the grant, the above order of precedence shall prevail. Acceptance of the grant terms and conditions is acknowledged by the grantee when funds are drawn or otherwise obtained from the grant payment system.			
l. TOTAL APPROVED BUDGET	\$ 6,911,577.54						
m. Federal Share	\$ 5,004,356.00			17. VENDOR CODE 0070059517 18a. UEI XVNEMFW345H9 18b. DUNS 808590863 19. CONG. DIST. 02			
n. Non-Federal Share	\$ 1,907,221.54						

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REMARKS (Other Terms and Conditions Attached - Yes No)

A revision to change the scope of work has been approved. NH is approved to acquire the Shaw fee property and drawdown the associated federal funds.

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LINE#	FINANCIAL ACCT	AMT OF FIN ASST	START DATE	END DATE	TAS ACCT	PO LINE DESCRIPTION

NOTICE OF AWARD



AUTHORIZATION (Legislation/Regulations)

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

1. DATE ISSUED *MM/DD/YYYY*
09/12/2022

1a. SUPERSEDES AWARD NOTICE dated
except that any additions or restrictions previously imposed
remain in effect unless specifically rescinded

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

3. ASSISTANCE TYPE *Formula Grant*

4. GRANT NO. F22AF03670-00
Originating MCA #

5. TYPE OF AWARD
Other

4a. FAIN F22AF03670

5a. ACTION TYPE *New*

6. PROJECT PERIOD *MM/DD/YYYY*
From 07/01/2022 Through 08/30/2027

7. BUDGET PERIOD *MM/DD/YYYY*
From 07/01/2022 Through 08/30/2027

8. TITLE OF PROJECT (OR PROGRAM)
NH W-11-D-78 State Lands Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program

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11. APPROVED BUDGET (Excludes Direct Assistance)	
I Financial Assistance from the Federal Awarding Agency Only	—
II Total project costs including grant funds and all other financial participation	II
a. Salaries and Wages	\$ 552,500.00
b. Fringe Benefits	\$ 330,800.00
c. Total Personnel Costs	\$ 883,300.00
d. Equipment	\$ 120,000.00
e. Supplies	\$ 30,000.00
f. Travel	\$ 10,000.00
g. Construction	\$ 415,019.00
h. Other	\$ 0.00
i. Contractual	\$ 645,230.00
j. TOTAL DIRECT COSTS	\$ 2,103,349.00
k. INDIRECT COSTS	\$ 165,139.00
l. TOTAL APPROVED BUDGET	\$ 2,268,488.00
m. Federal Share	\$ 1,701,366.00
n. Non-Federal Share	\$ 567,122.00

12. AWARD COMPUTATION	
a. Amount of Federal Financial Assistance (from item 11m)	\$ 1,701,366.00
b. Less Unobligated Balance From Prior Budget Periods	\$ 0.00
c. Less Cumulative Prior Award(s) This Budget Period	\$ 0.00
d. AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE THIS ACTION	\$ 1,701,366.00
13. Total Federal Funds Awarded to Date for Project Period	\$ 1,701,366.00

14. RECOMMENDED FUTURE SUPPORT (Subject to the availability of funds and satisfactory progress of the project):			
YEAR	TOTAL DIRECT COSTS	YEAR	TOTAL DIRECT COSTS
a. 2	\$	d. 5	\$
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15. PROGRAM INCOME SHALL BE USED IN ACCORD WITH ONE OF THE FOLLOWING ALTERNATIVES:

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LINE#	FINANCIAL ACCT	AMT OF FIN ASST	START DATE	END DATE	TAS ACCT	PO LINE DESCRIPTION
1	0051028140-00010	\$1,701,366.00	07/01/2022	08/30/2027	5029	5222 NH