



State of New Hampshire
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL & CULTURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF PARKS & RECREATION

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July 8, 2025

Her Excellency, Governor Kelly A. Ayotte
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 216-A:3-o, I, State Parks Gifts and Donations, authorize the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, Division of Parks and Recreation to accept a donation of \$6,966 from Margaret Venator to be used for a visitor experience improvement project at Rollins State Park, effective upon Governor and Council approval.

Funds will be budgeted in the following account:

	<u>FY 2026</u>
003-035-035-351510-33440000-406880 – <u>State Parks Gifts and Donations</u>	\$6,966

EXPLANATION

The Division of Parks and Recreation has received a donation offer from Margaret Venator to fund a project consisting of interpretive signage, picnic tables, and benches in the upper parking area at Rollins State Park. This donation is for the benefit of the visitors of the park, and is in memory of her late husband, formerly of Warner, NH. The project proposal is attached.

This donation supports the Division's ongoing efforts to improve park facilities and enhance visitors' experiences.

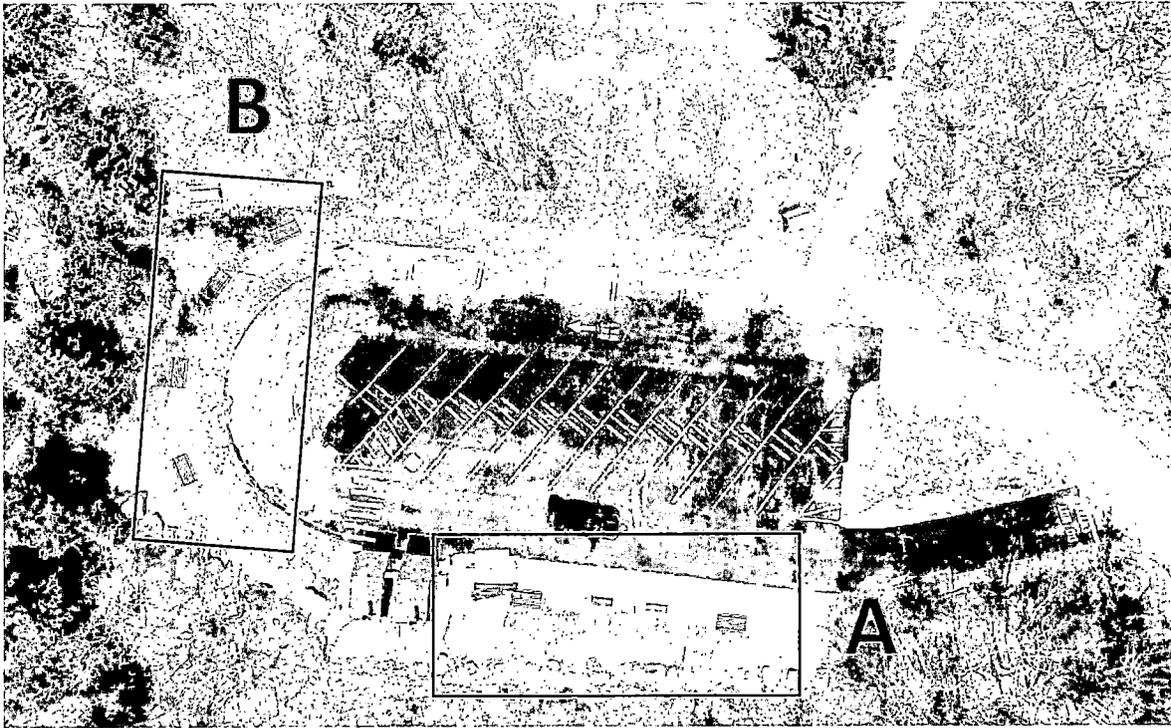
Respectfully submitted,

Concurred,

Colin Capelle
Interim Director, Parks and Recreation

Sarah L. Stewart
Commissioner

Rollins Improvement Project – Donation
5/2/25



Package A:

Qty	Item	\$
1	Interpretive Sign-Viewfinder	\$1,310
2	Benches	\$2,446
2	Picnic Tables	\$600
1	Concrete Mounting Supplies	\$50.00
Total		\$4,406

Package B:

Qty	Item	\$
1	Interpretive Sign-Rollins History	\$1,310
4	Picnic Tables	\$1,200
1	Concrete Mounting Supplies	\$50.00
Total		\$2,560

Combined Price: **\$6,966**

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, July 8, 2025 2:01 PM

To: Messer, Darienne <[REDACTED]>

Subject: RE: Directions table for Mt. Kearsarge

Darienne,

Thank you for working with me on my donation request and submitting the proposal for the outdoor directions tables and seating area located within the parking lot of Rollins State Park. After reviewing the Rollins Improvement Project – Donation proposal I would like to move forward with both options and agree to donate \$6,966 to fund this project.

My late husband George Stevens was a professor of Geology in Pennsylvania and in Nova Scotia. He retired to Kearsarge Mtn Rd in Warner in 2002, and this mountain was very special to him. Unfortunately, he passed last July at age 93 but I believe this is a simple, helpful, and respectful of the setting proposal that will be a meaningful way to honor him.

Margaret Venator Stevens