



THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



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William Cass, P.E.
Commissioner

David Rodrigue, P.E.
Assistant Commissioner

Michelle L. Winters
Deputy Commissioner

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

Bureau of Construction
December 19, 2025

REQUESTED ACTION

1. Authorize the Department of Transportation to enter into a contract with R.S. Audley, Inc. (Vendor 154222) of Bow, NH, on the basis of a low bid of \$144,000, for the removal of the bridge (BR. No. 240/104) carrying Smith Crossing over the NH Railroad (Project: New Hampton #25365), from the date of Governor and Council approval through August 21, 2026, unless amended by the Department in accordance with the Standard Specifications. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds are available in the following account for Fiscal Years 2026 and 2027, with the authority to adjust encumbrances between fiscal years within the price limitation through the Budget Office, if needed and justified:

Funding is available as follows:	<u>FY 2026</u>	<u>FY 2027</u>
04-96-96-963515-3054		
Consolidated Federal Aid		
400-500870 Highway Contract Payments	\$115,200	\$28,800

2. Further authorize that a contingency in the amount of \$14,400 be approved for payment of latent conditions, which may appear, during the construction of the project. The contingency requested is 10% of the contract amount.

Funding is available as follows:	<u>FY 2027</u>
04-96-96-963515-3054	
Consolidated Federal Aid	
400-500870 Highway Contract Payments	\$14,400

EXPLANATION

This project is part of the State's Ten-Year Transportation Improvement Plan, under the Bridge Tier 3/4 Rehabilitation-Reconstruction Program. This project consists of the removal of New Hampton Br. No. 240/104 located on Jackson Pond Road over New Hampshire Railroad (NHRR), historically known as Smith's Crossing. The existing bridge consists of three (3) timber spans and is approximately 82 feet long. The bridge was closed in 2015 due to the deterioration of the deck and superstructure.

The removal of the bridge will include the complete removal of all timber components of the structure, salvage and delivery of the major timber components to the Ashland Fire Fighters Association (AFFA), and disposal of the remaining non-salvageable timber components. The existing granite blocks making up the bridge substructure

will remain. Additionally, a concrete barrier will be placed on the south approach to the crossing and the existing barrier will be reset on the north approach.

The proposed contingency amount is 10% of the contract amount. This is to account for the risks associated with the bridge removal and transport of the salvaged timbers.

Although the bid costs exceeded the Department's estimate by 26.48%, the low bid of five bids received is felt to be reasonable for the work involved. The major item contributing to the increased bid amount is Item 692. Mobilization \$23,500. Re-advertising this project would result, in our opinion, in higher prices and prevent the completion of the work in a timely manner. The Department considers it to be in the best interest of the State to accept this bid to accomplish these needed repairs.

The Contractor has been prequalified by this Department. The Contract has been approved by the Attorney General as to form and execution, and the Department has certified that the necessary funds are available, and the bid reasonably conforms to the engineer's estimate in accordance with State procedure. Copies of the fully executed contract are on file at the Secretary of State's Office and the Department of Administrative Service's Office, and subsequent to Governor and Council approval will be on file at the Department of Transportation.

This project funding is: 80% Federal funds (Bridg-T3-4-Rehab-Rcn), with anticipated utilization of Turnpike Toll Credits for the State's 20% match, effectively using 100% Federal Funds.

A copy of the Tabulation of Bids received for this project is attached along with the Contract Supplemental Sheet and a map indicating the location of the project.

Your approval of this resolution is respectfully requested. The Department of Transportation has determined that the vendor is in good standing with the Secretary of State's Office, has secured the required levels of insurance, and has provided evidence of authority to execute and be bound by the contract.

Sincerely,



William J. Cass, P.E.
Commissioner

WJC/pcj

Department Estimate:	\$113,854.91
Contract Amount:	<u>\$144,000.00</u>
Over Estimate:	\$ 30,145.09
Attachments	



ABC Bid Data

NEW HAMPTON
25365
X-A003(115)

PROJECT:	NEW HAMPTON	Awarded To:	AUDLEY, R. S., INC. 1113 ROUTE 3A BOW, NH 03304-4025	Certified by:	<u>TOBEY,L.REYNOLDS</u> <small>Director of Project Development</small>
STATE PROJECT NUMBER:	25365	Amount:	\$144,000.00	Award Date:	
FED. PROJECT NUMBER:	X-A003(115)				
DATE BIDS OPEN:	December 11, 2025,				
SCOPE OF WORK:	Removal of Bridge carrying Smith Crossing over NH Railroad (240/104) (Red List)				
COMPLETION DATE:	August 21, 2026				
LOCATION:	Belknap				

Summary of Bidders

Contractor	Bid Amount	Rank
AUDLEY, R. S., INC. 1113 ROUTE 3A, BOW NH 03304-4025	\$144,000.00	A
NORTHEAST EARTH MECHANICS LLC 159 BARNSTEAD ROAD, PITTSFIELD NH 03263	\$167,750.00	B
BECK & BELLUCCI ,INC. PO BOX 429, FRANKLIN NH 03235	\$193,000.00	C
DANIELS, NEIL H. INC. 4409 ROUTE 5 SOUTH, PO BOX 246, ASCUTNEY VT 05030-0246	\$239,950.00	D
PIPER, R. M. INC. 141 SMITH BRIDGE ROAD, PO BOX490, PLYMOUTH NH 03264	\$289,420.00	E

Item No.	Description	Unit	Quantity	PS&E		AUDLEY, R. S., INC. 1113 ROUTE 3A BOW, NH 03304-4025		NORTHEAST EARTH MECHANICS LLC 159 BARNSTEAD ROAD PITTSFIELD, NH 03263	
				Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total

Items

500.02	ACCESS FOR BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION	U	1.00	\$15,429.91	\$15,429.91	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
502.	REMOVAL OF EXISTING BRIDGE STRUCTURE	U	1.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$85,000.00	\$85,000.00
606.4027	CONCRETE BARRIER, DOUBLE- FACED (SPECIAL)	LF	20.00	\$85.00	\$1,700.00	\$300.00	\$6,000.00	\$150.00	\$3,000.00
606.416	REMOVE AND RESET CONCRETE BARRIER	LF	20.00	\$30.00	\$600.00	\$50.00	\$1,000.00	\$50.00	\$1,000.00
615.0301	TRAFFIC SIGN TYPE C	SF	29.00	\$70.00	\$2,030.00	\$110.00	\$3,190.00	\$100.00	\$2,900.00
615.033	REMOVING TRAFFIC SIGN, TYPE C	U	3.00	\$65.00	\$195.00	\$70.00	\$210.00	\$150.00	\$450.00
618.7	FLAGGERS	HR	100.00	\$45.00	\$4,500.00	\$50.00	\$5,000.00	\$40.00	\$4,000.00
619.1	MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC	U	1.00	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
645.512	COMPOST SOCK FOR PERIMETER BERM	LF	800.00	\$5.00	\$4,000.00	\$4.75	\$3,800.00	\$4.00	\$3,200.00
645.531	SILT FENCE	LF	800.00	\$3.00	\$2,400.00	\$3.50	\$2,800.00	\$4.00	\$3,200.00
692.	MOBILIZATION	U	1.00	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$32,500.00	\$32,500.00	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
699.	MISCELLANEOUS TEMPORARY EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL	\$	5,000.00	\$1.00	\$5,000.00	\$1.00	\$5,000.00	\$1.00	\$5,000.00
1008.53	ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS AS NEEDED - SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	\$	8,000.00	\$1.00	\$8,000.00	\$1.00	\$8,000.00	\$1.00	\$8,000.00
1010.15	FUEL ADJUSTMENT	\$	2,000.00	\$1.00	\$2,000.00	\$1.00	\$2,000.00	\$1.00	\$2,000.00

Totals:	\$113,854.91	\$144,000.00	\$167,750.00
Alt. Totals:			
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Item No.	Description	Unit	Quantity	PS&E		BECK & BELLUCCI, INC. PO BOX 429 FRANKLIN, NH 03235		DANIELS, NEIL H. INC. 4409 ROUTE 5 SOUTH ASCUTNEY, VT 05036-0246	
				Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total

Items

500.02	ACCESS FOR BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION	U	1.00	\$15,429.91	\$15,429.91	\$55,000.00	\$55,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
502.	REMOVAL OF EXISTING BRIDGE STRUCTURE	U	1.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$61,000.00	\$61,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00
606.4027	CONCRETE BARRIER, DOUBLE- FACED (SPECIAL)	LF	20.00	\$85.00	\$1,700.00	\$270.00	\$5,400.00	\$200.00	\$4,000.00
606.416	REMOVE AND RESET CONCRETE BARRIER	LF	20.00	\$30.00	\$600.00	\$40.00	\$800.00	\$25.00	\$500.00
615.0301	TRAFFIC SIGN TYPE C	SF	29.00	\$70.00	\$2,030.00	\$172.50	\$5,002.50	\$100.00	\$2,900.00
615.033	REMOVING TRAFFIC SIGN, TYPE C	U	3.00	\$65.00	\$195.00	\$60.00	\$180.00	\$50.00	\$150.00
618.7	FLAGGERS	HR	100.00	\$45.00	\$4,500.00	\$65.00	\$6,500.00	\$60.00	\$6,000.00
619.1	MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC	U	1.00	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
645.512	COMPOST SOCK FOR PERIMETER BERM	LF	800.00	\$5.00	\$4,000.00	\$6.00	\$4,800.00	\$5.00	\$4,000.00
645.531	SILT FENCE	LF	800.00	\$3.00	\$2,400.00	\$8.00	\$6,400.00	\$3.00	\$2,400.00
692.	MOBILIZATION	U	1.00	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$25,417.50	\$25,417.50	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
699.	MISCELLANEOUS TEMPORARY EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL	\$	5,000.00	\$1.00	\$5,000.00	\$1.00	\$5,000.00	\$1.00	\$5,000.00
1008.53	ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS AS NEEDED - SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	\$	8,000.00	\$1.00	\$8,000.00	\$1.00	\$8,000.00	\$1.00	\$8,000.00
1010.15	FUEL ADJUSTMENT	\$	2,000.00	\$1.00	\$2,000.00	\$1.00	\$2,000.00	\$1.00	\$2,000.00

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All Totals:			
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				Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total		

Items

500.02	ACCESS FOR BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION	U	1.00	\$15,429.91	\$15,429.91	\$46,150.00	\$46,150.00		
502.	REMOVAL OF EXISTING BRIDGE STRUCTURE	U	1.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$126,460.00	\$126,460.00		
606.4027	CONCRETE BARRIER, DOUBLE- FACED (SPECIAL)	LF	20.00	\$85.00	\$1,700.00	\$100.00	\$2,000.00		
606.416	REMOVE AND RESET CONCRETE BARRIER	LF	20.00	\$30.00	\$600.00	\$25.00	\$500.00		
615.0301	TRAFFIC SIGN TYPE C	SF	29.00	\$70.00	\$2,030.00	\$60.00	\$1,740.00		
615.033	REMOVING TRAFFIC SIGN, TYPE C	U	3.00	\$65.00	\$195.00	\$90.00	\$270.00		
618.7	FLAGGERS	HR	100.00	\$45.00	\$4,500.00	\$58.00	\$5,800.00		
619.1	MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC	U	1.00	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$36,000.00	\$36,000.00		
645.512	COMPOST SOCK FOR PERIMETER BERM	LF	800.00	\$5.00	\$4,000.00	\$4.50	\$3,600.00		
645.531	SILT FENCE	LF	800.00	\$3.00	\$2,400.00	\$8.00	\$6,400.00		
692.	MOBILIZATION	U	1.00	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$45,500.00	\$45,500.00		
699.	MISCELLANEOUS TEMPORARY EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL	\$	5,000.00	\$1.00	\$5,000.00	\$1.00	\$5,000.00		
1008.53	ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS AS NEEDED - SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	\$	8,000.00	\$1.00	\$8,000.00	\$1.00	\$8,000.00		
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PS&E Comparison

Item No.	Description	Unit	Quantity	A-Bidder		PS&E		A-PS&E Difference
				Unit Price	Total	Unit Price	Total	
Items								
500.02	ACCESS FOR BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION	U	1.00	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$15,429.91	\$15,429.91	\$9,570.09
502.	REMOVAL OF EXISTING BRIDGE STRUCTURE	U	1.00	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	(\$5,000.00)
606.4027	CONCRETE BARRIER, DOUBLE- FACED (SPECIAL)	LF	20.00	\$300.00	\$6,000.00	\$85.00	\$1,700.00	\$4,300.00
606.416	REMOVE AND RESET CONCRETE BARRIER	LF	20.00	\$50.00	\$1,000.00	\$30.00	\$600.00	\$400.00
615.0301	TRAFFIC SIGN TYPE C	SF	29.00	\$110.00	\$3,190.00	\$70.00	\$2,030.00	\$1,160.00
615.033	REMOVING TRAFFIC SIGN, TYPE C	U	3.00	\$70.00	\$210.00	\$65.00	\$195.00	\$15.00
618.7	FLAGGERS	HR	100.00	\$50.00	\$5,000.00	\$45.00	\$4,500.00	\$500.00
619.1	MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC	U	1.00	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00	(\$4,500.00)
645.512	COMPOST SOCK FOR PERIMETER BERM	LF	800.00	\$4.75	\$3,800.00	\$5.00	\$4,000.00	(\$200.00)
645.531	SILT FENCE	LF	800.00	\$3.50	\$2,800.00	\$3.00	\$2,400.00	\$400.00
692.	MOBILIZATION	U	1.00	\$32,500.00	\$32,500.00	\$9,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$23,500.00
699.	MISCELLANEOUS TEMPORARY EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL	\$	5,000.00	\$1.00	\$5,000.00	\$1.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
1008.53	ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS AS NEEDED - SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	\$	8,000.00	\$1.00	\$8,000.00	\$1.00	\$8,000.00	\$0.00
1010.15	FUEL ADJUSTMENT	\$	2,000.00	\$1.00	\$2,000.00	\$1.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00

Total:

\$144,000.00

\$113,854.91

\$30,145.09

November 20, 2025

SUPPLEMENTAL PROJECT INFORMATION SHEET

DESCRIPTION: This project consists of the removal of New Hampton Br. No. 240/104 located on Jackson Pond Road over New Hampshire Railroad (NHRR), historically known as Smith's Crossing. The existing bridge consists of three (3) timber spans and is approximately 82 feet long. The bridge was closed in 2015 due to the deterioration of the deck and superstructure.

The removal of the bridge will include the complete removal of all timber components of the structure, salvage and delivery of the major timber components to the Ashland Fire Fighters Association (AFFA), and disposal of the remaining non-salvageable timber components. The existing granite blocks making up the bridge substructure will remain. Additionally, concrete barrier will be placed on the south approach to the crossing and existing barrier will be reset on the north approach.

FEDERAL FUNDING: 80% (Bridge Tier 3 Rehabilitation-Reconstruction (Bridg-T3-4-Rehab-Rcn)) with anticipated utilization of Turnpike Toll Credits for the State's 20% match.

CONTINGENCY: The proposed contingency amount is 10% of the contract amount. This is to account for the risks associated with the bridge removal and transport of the salvaged timbers.

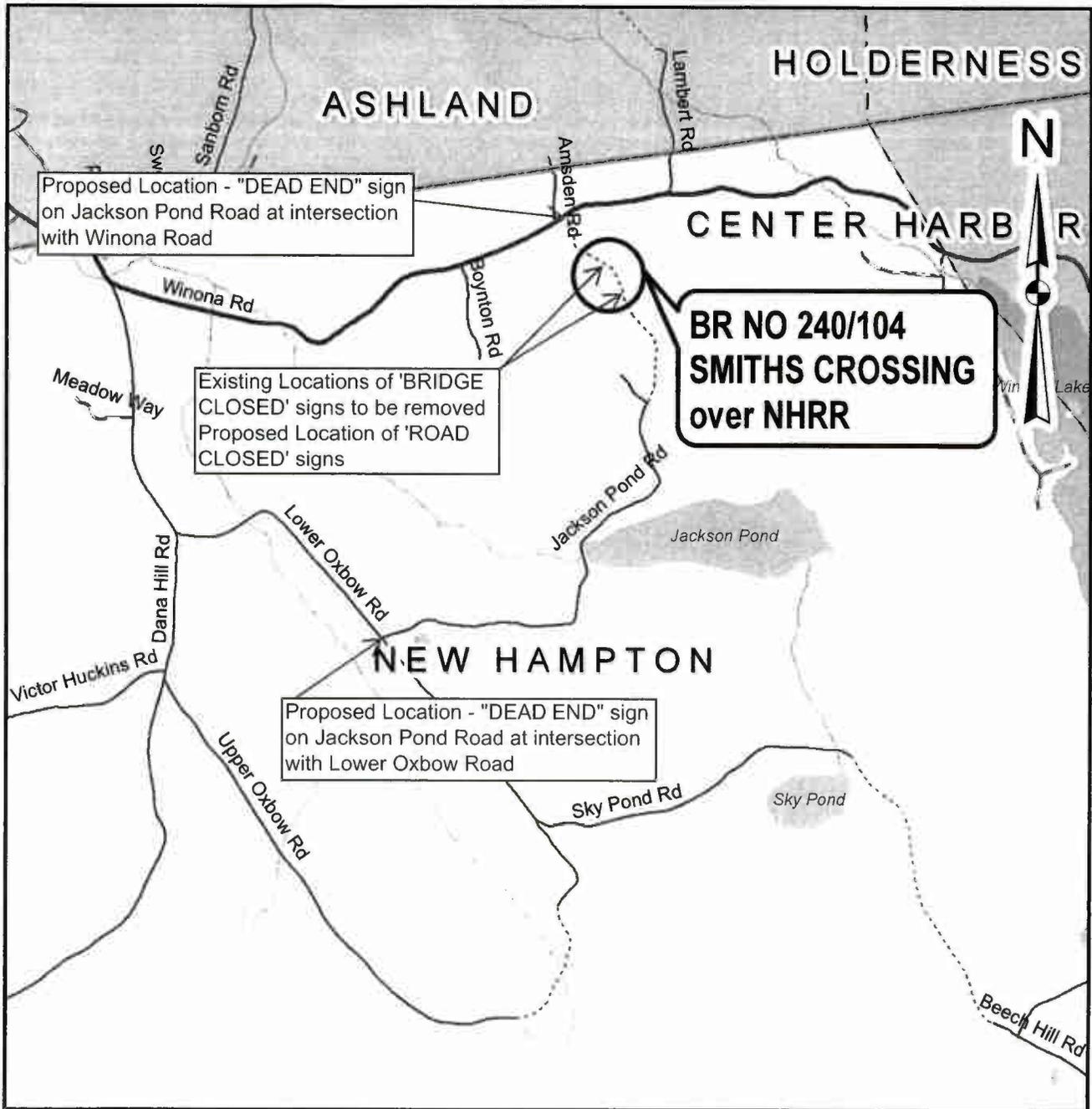
PROJECT INITIATED: This project was initiated through the NHDOT 10-year plan.

PROJECT EXPLANATION: The 3-span timber bridge was built in 1916, with end spans and Bent 1 rebuilt in 1932 and the center span and Bent 2 rebuilt in 1934. The deck, superstructure, and substructure have condition evaluation ratings of 1 (Closed - Failing), 4 (Poor), and 5 (Fair), respectively. The bridge is ranked #102 on the 2024 State Rehabilitation & Replacement Priority List, Revised March 2025. The bridge has been closed since May 29, 2015, after it was determined that the bridge had experienced severe decay of the timber deck and was deemed to have no remaining safe live load capacity. As a closed structure with an at-grade railroad crossing nearby and alternative routes available, it is not a vital transportation route or asset. As a result, no additional maintenance investment is anticipated and, if nothing is done, the bridge will continue to deteriorate until it experiences partial or complete collapse onto the active railroad below. The project will address the increasingly unsafe condition of the existing bridge structure by removing the timber components and removing the bridge from the inventory.

TRAFFIC IMPLICATION: As the bridge is currently closed, no additional traffic impacts are anticipated on Jackson Pond Road. At the intersection of Jackson Pond Road and Winona Road, it may be necessary to use flaggers for vehicles entering and exiting the site. Additionally, NHRR, passing under the bridge, is an active rail line which will require railroad flaggers for the duration of the work.

FINAL COMPLETION DATE: August 21, 2026.

NEW HAMPTON - SMITHS CROSSING over NHRR



LEGEND

- Streams
- Water Bodies
- US Routes
- State Routes
- Interstates
- Local Roads
- - - Town Boundary



State #: 25365
Federal #: X-A003 (115)

LOCATION MAP



State of New Hampshire

Department of State

CERTIFICATE

I, David M. Scanlan, Secretary of State of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby certify that R. S. AUDLEY, INC. is a New Hampshire Profit Corporation registered to transact business in New Hampshire on October 14, 1955. I further certify that all fees and documents required by the Secretary of State's office have been received and is in good standing as far as this office is concerned.

Business ID: **6242**

Certificate Number: **0007297818**



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,

I hereto set my hand and cause to be affixed
the Seal of the State of New Hampshire,
this 2nd day of October A.D. 2025.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Scanlan", is written over a faint circular outline.

David M. Scanlan
Secretary of State

CERTIFICATE OF VOTE

I, Scott P. Stevens Hereby certify that I am duly elected
Vice President of R.S. AUDLEY, INC.

I hereby certify the following is a true copy of a vote taken at a meeting
of the Board of Directors of the Corporation, duly called and held
on December 17, 2025 , at which a quorum of the Board was present
and voting.

VOTED: That Frederick D. Kenison is duly authorized
to enter into a specific contract namely NEW HAMPTON X-A003(115) 25365
With State of New Hampshire, Dept. of Transportation , and further authorized to
execute any documents which may in his judgment be desirable or necessary to effect
the purpose of this vote.

I hereby certify that said vote has not been amended or repealed and remains
in full force and effect as of December 17, 2025 , and that
Frederick D. Kenison is duly elected Vice President of this
Corporation.

DATED: December 17, 2025

ATTEST:  (Affix Corp. Seal)
Scott P. Stevens, Vice President

