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August 5, 2026

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department to make a **Retroactive** payment to Barrie Miller's Well & Pump Service, Inc. (vendor code #205835), Hillsborough, NH in the amount of \$33,585.00 for emergency pump service and chemical treatment of the Field Well #5 at the Milford State Fish Hatchery upon Governor and Council approval. Funding is 100% Fish and Game Funds.

Funding is available in account Inland Fisheries Management --Hatcheries as follows:

03-075-075-752020-21320000-048-500226 Contractual Maintenance

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\$33,585.00

EXPLANATION

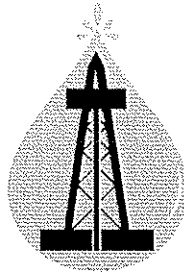
This payment is **Retroactive** because the services performed were deemed an emergency and required immediate attention to avoid a catastrophe. The water flow, well pumping performance and the water quality has significantly diminished in the field well at the Milford State Fish Hatchery. If the well was not restored, it could fail, resulting in catastrophic fish losses that would severely disrupt the statewide stocking program and lead to millions of dollars in economic deficits. The Milford State Fish Hatchery utilizes wells to provide water for operation of the hatchery building, tanks, and ponds. The wells supply life supporting water for the 68,000+ pounds of trout and salmon that reside there. Barrie Miller's Well and Pump Services, Inc. is our only in-state vendor for this type of service, which is required at our large water withdrawal wells located at the state fish hatcheries.

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department hatchery staff reported low water conditions at Milford a year ago. They were able to maintain the system through the winter. Water conditions continued to decline and hit critical levels in late May. We went through the bid process to solidify a contract to provide service for this type of situation this past spring. That contract was not approved but given the magnitude of this circumstance, the Governor and her Council authorized emergency service to rectify the issue and required the simultaneous reposting of the bid request for agency-wide well service and maintenance to acquire additional solicitors. Barrie Miller's Well & Pump Service, Inc., was called immediately to schedule the emergency service. Upon arrival, they found the well to be pumping at 9.4 gallons per minute per foot. The lowest it has ever been. Barrie Miller removed the pump and upon inspection deemed it unrepairable. The pump was replaced and the redevelopment completed at the field well. The pump is now reaching 46.1 gallons per minute per foot. This is a 512% improvement and ensures the survival of the 68,000+ pounds of trout and salmon solidifying stocking and angler satisfaction. The emergency redevelopment service was completed at the end of July.

Respectfully submitted,

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Repair*

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Attn: Victoria Leonard

INVOICE NO. 2624

Invoice for Redevelopment of Field Well at the Milford Fish Hatchery and furnishing and installing a new pump and check valve.

Total Cost: **\$33,585.00**

Note: Any additional materials & service will be authorized and billed in addition to the above.

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\$ 33,585.00 By: RMH

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Federal Grant: 750FF 75M+

Commission/G&C Approval: _____