



**STATE OF VERMONT**  
JOINT FISCAL OFFICE

**MEMORANDUM**

To: Joint Fiscal Committee Members  
From: Nathan Lavery, Fiscal Analyst  
Date: April 30, 2014  
Subject: Grant/Position Request

Enclosed please find two (2) items that the Joint Fiscal Office has received from the administration.

**JFO #2680** – Donation of 0.03 acres of land (estimated value: \$5,000) from Steve and Jane Glass to the Vermont Department of Fish & Wildlife. Located in Craftsbury, this donation will provide public access to Great Hosmer Pond for fishing, hunting, trapping, wildlife viewing and watercraft launching. State funds in the amount of \$1,750 (special funds) will be used, along with federal funds, to cover closing costs, etc.  
*[JFO received 04/25/14]*

**JFO #2681** – Donation of 10 acres of land (estimated value: \$27,500) from Engineers Construction, Inc. to the Vermont Department of Fish & Wildlife. Located in Wolcott, this donation will provide public access to the Lamoille River for fishing, hunting, trapping, wildlife viewing, and protect riparian, wetland and forested habitat. State funds in the amount of \$250 (special funds) will be used, along with federal funds, to cover closing costs, etc.  
*[JFO received 04/25/14]*

Please review the enclosed materials and notify the Joint Fiscal Office (Nathan Lavery at (802) 828-1488; [nlavery@leg.state.vt.us](mailto:nlavery@leg.state.vt.us)) if you have questions or would like an item held for legislative review. Unless we hear from you to the contrary by May 14 we will assume that you agree to consider as final the Governor's acceptance of these requests.

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Agency of Administration

JFO 2680

**STATE OF VERMONT  
 FINANCE & MANAGEMENT GRANT REVIEW FORM**

<b>Grant Summary:</b>	Donation of 0.03 acres in the Town of Craftsbury that will provide public access to Great Hosmer Pond for fishing, hunting, trapping, wildlife viewing and watercraft launching.				
<b>Date:</b>	4/15/2014				
<b>Department:</b>	ANR- Fish & Wildlife				
<b>Legal Title of Grant:</b>	Glass Land Donation				
<b>Federal Catalog #:</b>	N/A				
<b>Grant/Donor Name and Address:</b>	Steven and Jane Glass, 160 Whitewater Circle, Williston VT 05495				
<b>Grant Period:</b>	<b>From:</b>		<b>To:</b>		
<b>Grant/Donation</b>	Land with an estimated value of \$5000.				
	<b>SFY 1</b>	<b>SFY 2</b>	<b>SFY 3</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Comments</b>
<b>Grant Amount:</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$	
<b>Position Information:</b>	<b># Positions</b>	<b>Explanation/Comments</b>			
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<b>Additional Comments:</b>	See attached land donation form.				

Department of Finance & Management Secretary of Administration Sent To Joint Fiscal Office	4/16/14 (Initial)
	4/17/14 (Initial)
	4/22/14 Date

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LAND DONATION FORM

<b><u>Name of Donation:</u></b>	Glass Land Donation
<b><u>Date:</u></b>	4/16/2014
Value of land	\$5,000.00
Amount paid for land	\$0.00
Net change in State land assets	<u>\$5,000.00</u>
Expenses	
Personal Services	
Closing Costs, Survey	\$7,000.00
Operating Expenses	
	<u>\$0.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$7,000.00
Source of Funds	
General Fund	\$0.00
Special Fund	\$0.00
State Fish and Wildlife Fund	\$1,750.00
Federal Funds	\$5,250.00
Total Funding	<u>\$7,000.00</u>

Notes: The federal land grant allows the Dept. of Fish & Wildlife to apply the value of earlier land donations as in-kind match for federal land grant funds used for later land acquisitions. \$5,000 of banked in-kind match will be generated by this donation.

STATE OF VERMONT REQUEST FOR GRANT (\*) ACCEPTANCE (Form AA-1)

BASIC GRANT INFORMATION				
1. Agency:		Natural Resources		
2. Department:		Fish and Wildlife		
3. Program:		Access Area		
4. Legal Title of Grant:				
5. Federal Catalog #:				
6. Grant/Donor Name and Address: Steven and Jane Glass 160 Whitewater Circle Williston, VT 05495				
7. Grant Period: From:			To:	
8. Purpose of Grant: To accept a 0.03-acre parcel to provide permanent public access to Great Hosmer Pond for fishing, hunting, trapping, wildlife viewing, and watercraft launching.				
9. Impact on existing program if grant is not Accepted: The opportunity for public access to Great Hosmer Pond, a 138-a waterbody with a State-owned dam at its outlet, will be limited or altogether prevented.				
10. BUDGET INFORMATION				
	SFY 1	SFY 2	SFY 3	Comments
<b>Expenditures:</b>	<b>FY</b>	<b>FY</b>	<b>FY</b>	
Personal Services	\$	\$	\$	
Operating Expenses	\$	\$	\$	
Grants	\$	\$	\$	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	
<b>Revenues:</b>				
State Funds:	\$	\$	\$	
Cash	\$	\$	\$	
In-Kind	\$	\$	\$	
Federal Funds:	\$	\$	\$	
(Direct Costs)	\$	\$	\$	
(Statewide Indirect)	\$	\$	\$	
(Departmental Indirect)	\$	\$	\$	
Other Funds:	\$	\$	\$	
Grant (source )	\$	\$	\$	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	
<b>Appropriation No:</b>		<b>Amount:</b>	\$	
			\$	
			\$	
			\$	
			\$	
			\$	

**STATE OF VERMONT REQUEST FOR GRANT (\*) ACCEPTANCE (Form AA-1)**

	\$
<b>Total</b>	\$

**Has current fiscal year budget detail been entered into Vantage?**     Yes     No

**PERSONAL SERVICE INFORMATION**

**11. Will monies from this grant be used to fund one or more Personal Service Contracts?**     Yes     No  
 If "Yes", appointing authority must initial here to indicate intent to follow current competitive bidding process/policy.

Appointing Authority Name: Patrick Berry    Agreed by: PKB (initial)

12. Limited Service Position Information:	# Positions	Title
<b>Total Positions</b>		

**12a. Equipment and space for these positions:**     Is presently available.     Can be obtained with available funds.

**13. AUTHORIZATION AGENCY/DEPARTMENT**

I/we certify that no funds beyond basic application preparation and filing costs have been expended or committed in anticipation of Joint Fiscal Committee approval of this grant, unless previous notification was made on Form AA-1PN (if applicable):	Signature: <u>PKBerry</u>	Date: <u>3/29/14</u>
	Title: Commissioner, Vermont Fish and Wildlife	
	Signature: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>3-27-14</u>
	Title: Secretary, Agency of Natural Resources	

**14. SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Approved:	(Secretary or designee signature) <u>[Signature]</u> Deputy	Date: <u>04/17/14</u>
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**15. ACTION BY GOVERNOR**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Check One Box: Accepted	(Governor's signature) <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>4/22/14</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rejected		

**16. DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED**

**Required GRANT Documentation**

<input type="checkbox"/> Request Memo <input type="checkbox"/> Dept. project approval (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Award <input type="checkbox"/> Grant Agreement <input type="checkbox"/> Grant Budget	<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Donation (if any) <input type="checkbox"/> Grant (Project) Timeline (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Extension (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Form AA-1PN attached (if applicable)
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**End Form AA-1**

(\*) The term "grant" refers to any grant, gift, loan, or any sum of money or thing of value to be accepted by any agency, department, commission, board, or other part of state government (see 32 V.S.A. §5).



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*Agency of Natural Resources*

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Sarah London  
**From:** Jane Lazorchak  
**Date:** February 21, 2014  
**RE:** Governor's Approval recommended and requested for the acceptance of a donation of a parcel located in the Town of Craftsbury.

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Enclosed is a request for Governor Shumlin's approval and signature for the acceptance of a parcel of land totaling 0.03 acres from Steven and Jane Glass of Williston, VT to the State of Vermont. The addition of this parcel, located in the Town of Craftsbury, to the Fish and Wildlife Department's (FWD) Fishing Access Area program will permanently guarantee public access to Great Hosmer Pond for fishing, hunting, trapping, wildlife viewing and watercraft launching. Total costs for this project are approximately \$7,000 which include surveying, attorney fees and closing costs.

Funding for the associated costs of this donation will come from the FWD's Access Area Funds. Included with the Governor's approval memo are a map of the property, a copy of the review and approval by the Agency Land Acquisition Review Committee and a copy of a letter signed by the Craftsbury Select Board stating town support for the state acquisition of this parcel.

If you have any questions regarding this project, please contact me directly at 479-4405 or at [jane.lazorchak@state.vt.us](mailto:jane.lazorchak@state.vt.us), thank you.

cc: Patrick Berry, Commissioner  
Eric Palmer, Fisheries Division Director



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Commissioner's Office  
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802-241-3730

TO: Peter Shumlin, Governor

THROUGH: Deb Markowitz, Secretary, Agency of Natural Resources

FROM: Patrick Berry, Commissioner, Department of Fish and Wildlife

SUBJECT: Fish and Wildlife Department, Donation, Steven and Jane Glass  
Great Hosmer property, Craftsbury, VT

**Recommendation** Approval of the acceptance of a 0.03-acre donation from Steven and Jane Glass of Williston, VT to the Fish and Wildlife Department (FWD) to guarantee public access at 138-acre Great Hosmer Pond located in Craftsbury and Albany.

**Description of Project**

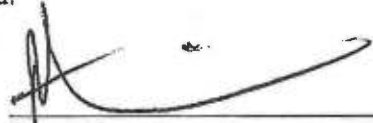
The Fisheries Division is responsible for management of Riparian Lands, unimproved access points and developed Access Areas along waters throughout Vermont. For well over half a century the Department has managed a program that acquires fee interest in lake, pond and riverfront lands to provide public access to the waters of the State. The Department has been successful though these acquisitions in guaranteeing public boating access to nearly all major lakes, as well as to most of Vermont's smaller lakes and ponds. There are exceptions where public access is poor or inconvenient due to the character of the land the Department owns, is tenuous because access points are in the hands of other public or private entities, or is simply non-existent. The Fisheries Division finds it in the public's interest to seek opportunities for targeted acquisition of additional shorefront lands to establish access where it is lacking, strengthen public access rights where they are weak, and improve access conditions where they are sub-optimal.

Great Hosmer Pond is a large natural pond (138 acres) augmented in size by a dam owned by the State of Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). Despite the DEC's ownership of the dam, there is no State or other public ownership on the pond that guarantees public access, and in fact the State's right-of-way to the dam (reconstructed at public expense in 2012) is for dam operation, maintenance and repair only, and does not permit general public access. There is a small (0.03-acre) site privately owned by Steven and Jane Glass of Williston, VT on the east shore of the pond that has been serving the public as a minimally improved boating access. The Glass family has a strong commitment to public access to the pond, but fears that if they were to sell their Great Hosmer camp, the guarantee of future public access would be uncertain. The

**APPROVAL FOR PURCHASE OF LAND**

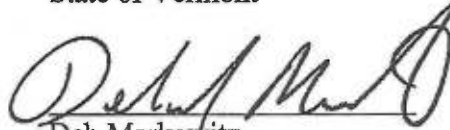
We the undersigned, hereby approve the acceptance of a donation of a 0.03-acre parcel of from Steven and Jane Glass to the Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Fish and Wildlife to guarantee public access to Great Hosmer Pond. This approval is required by 10 V.S.A. §4144 of the Vermont Statutes Annotated.

3/10/14  
Date



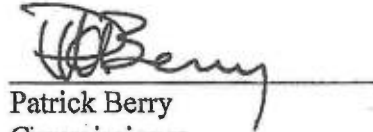
Peter Shumlin  
Governor  
State of Vermont

2/27/14  
Date



Deb Markowitz  
Secretary  
Agency of Natural Resources

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Date



Patrick Berry  
Commissioner  
Fish and Wildlife Department