



STATE OF VERMONT
JOINT FISCAL OFFICE

MEMORANDUM

To: Joint Fiscal Committee members
From: Daniel Dickerson, Fiscal Analyst
Date: April 6, 2015
Subject: Grant Request #2749, #2750, #2751, #2752, #2753, #2754, #2755

Enclosed please find seven (7) items that the Joint Fiscal Office has received from the administration.

JFO #2749 – \$2,928,051 grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to the Vermont Department of Public Safety. These funds will be used to provide Federal disaster assistance in response to the December 2014 winter storm affecting Addison, Chittenden, Essex, Franklin, Lamoille, Orange, Orleans, Rutland, Washington and Windsor Counties.
[JFO received 3/24/15]

JFO #2750 – \$849,360 grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to the Vermont Department of Public Safety. These funds will be used for hazard mitigation projects to mitigate future problems identified during May 2013 flooding in Andover, Berlin, Eden, Ludlow, Richmond, Springfield, Weathersfield, West Windsor and Vermont Energy Education Program (VEEP) locations.
[JFO received 3/24/15]

JFO #2751 – \$288,574 grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to the Vermont Department of Public Safety. These funds will be used for hazard mitigation projects to mitigate future problems identified during May 2013 flooding in Baltimore, Cabot, Cambridge and Proctor.
[JFO received 3/24/15]

JFO #2752 – \$128,488 grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to the Vermont Department of Public Safety. These funds will be used for hazard mitigation projects to mitigate future problems identified during May 2012 flooding in St. Johnsbury.
[JFO received 3/24/15]

JFO #2753 – \$155,817 grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to the Vermont Department of Public Safety. These funds will be used for hazard mitigation projects to mitigate future problems identified during May 2011 flooding in Rutland City.
[JFO received 3/24/15]

JFO #2754 – \$169,100 grant from the Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC) to the Agency of Commerce and Community Development (ACCD). These funds will be used to create digital parcel data of towns in the northern border region. This grant was originally awarded to the Vermont Center for Geographic Information (VCGI), which has subsequently sent a request to NBRC to name ACCD as the grantee in anticipation of the transition of VCGI into ACCD.

[JFO received 3/24/15]

JFO #2755 – \$9,000 grant from the Sears Consumer Protection Education Fund to the Vermont Attorney General. This grant will be used to fund a three month pilot project to assess the impact of posting a warning advertisement on Google to guide Vermont consumers away from sites offering illegal high-interest loans.

[JFO received 3/31/15]

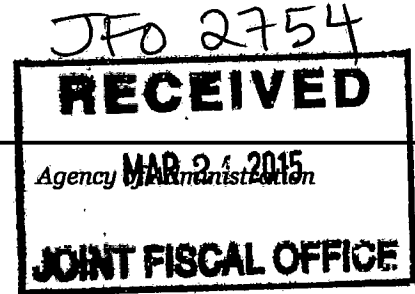
In addition to the above grants, the Administration has also submitted a pre-spending notification (AA-1PN) for \$14,000 that has been spent for filling a limited-service position to perform work in anticipation of a large grant from the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) for the Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP). The position is within the Department of Environmental Conservation.

Please review the enclosed materials and notify the Joint Fiscal Office (Daniel Dickerson at (802) 828-2472; ddickerson@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 April 20, 2015 we will assume that you agree to consider as final the Governor's acceptance of these requests.



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

Grant Summary:	The purpose of this grant is to create digital parcel data of towns in the Northern Border Region. This grant was originally awarded to the Vermont Center for Geographic Information, and with the transition of VCGI into ACCD the grant needs to be transferred as well.				
Date:	3/16/2015				
Department:	ACCD Administration/VT Center for Geographic Information				
Legal Title of Grant:	Northern Border Regional Commission Grant				
Federal Catalog #:	10.999				
Grant/Donor Name and Address:	Northern Border Regional Commission, Margaret Chase Smith FOB, Suite 21100, 22 Harlow St., Bangor, ME.				
Grant Period:	From: 11/1/2013		To: 3/31/2016		
Grant/Donation	\$169,100				
	SFY 1	SFY 2	SFY 3	Total	Comments
Grant Amount:	\$113,200	\$55,900	\$	\$169,100	

Position Information:	# Positions	Explanation/Comments
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Additional Comments:

Has Vantage budget detail been reviewed and reconciled? Yes No HC (Analyst Initial)

Department of Finance & Management	3/18/15	(Initial)
Secretary of Administration	HC 13/19/15	(Initial)
Sent To Joint Fiscal Office		Date



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

1. Agency:	Agency of Commerce and Community Development		
2. Department:	Administration/VT Center for Geographic Information		
3. Program:	Northern Border Regional Commission		
4. Legal Title of Grant:	Northern Border Regional Commission Grant		
5. Federal Catalog #:	10.999		
6. Grant/Donor Name and Address:	Northern Border Regional Commission Margaret Chase Smith FOB Suite 21100, 22 Harlow St. Bangor, ME.		
7. Grant Period:	From:	11/1/2013	To: 3/31/2016
8. Purpose of Grant:	Creation of digital parcel data in towns in the Northern Border Region		
9. Impact on existing program if grant is not Accepted:	Grant would be terminated on March 30, 2015		

	SFY 1 FY 15	SFY 2 FY 16	SFY 3 FY	Comments
Expenditures:				
Personal Services	\$3,200	\$0	\$	VCGI Labor
Operating Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$	
Grants	\$110,000	\$55,900	\$	Grants to Towns and RPCs
Total	\$113,200	\$55,900	\$	
Revenues:				
State Funds:	\$0	\$0	\$	
Cash	\$0	\$0	\$	
In-Kind	\$0	\$0	\$	
Federal Funds:	\$113,200	\$55,900	\$	Funds from NBRC
(Direct Costs)	\$113,200	\$55,900	\$	
(Statewide Indirect)	\$0	\$0	\$	
(Departmental Indirect)	\$0	\$0	\$	
Other Funds:	\$0	\$0	\$	
Grant (source)	\$0	\$0	\$	
Total	\$113,200	\$55,900	\$	

Appropriation No:	7100000000	Amount:	\$169,100
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	Total		\$

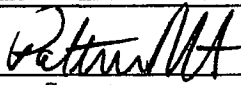
Has current fiscal year budget detail been entered into Vantage? Yes No

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.

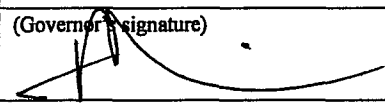
Appointing Authority Name: Agreed by: _____ (initial)

12. Limited Service Position Information:	# Positions	Title
Total Positions		

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

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: 	Date: 2/27/2015
	Title: Agency Secretary	
	Signature: _____	Date: _____
	Title: _____	

Approved: (Secretary or designee signature)  Date: 03/19/15

Check One Box: Accepted (Governor signature)  Date: 3/20/15

Rejected

Required GRANT Documentation

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Request Memo <input type="checkbox"/> Dept. project approval (if applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of Award <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grant Agreement <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grant Budget	<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Donation (if any) <input type="checkbox"/> Grant (Project) Timeline (if applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Request for Extension (if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Form AA-1PN attached (if applicable)
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(*) 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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February 27, 2015

Joint Fiscal Committee
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RE: Northern Border Regional Commission Grant Transfer to ACCD

With the transition of the Vermont Center for Geographic Information (VCGI) into a division of the Agency of Commerce and Community Development (ACCD), comes the need to transfer all of VCGI's grants into ACCD's name. The attached grant from Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC), with a grant end date of 03/31/2016, will now be held by ACCD. The competed AA1 is included, as well as the grant documentation between VCGI and NBRC. VCGI has submitted the request to NBRC to change the grant agreement to name ACCD as the grantee. While that is in process, we are requesting approval for ACCD to assume this grant.

Thank you.

Office of the Federal Co-Chair
NORTHERN BORDER REGIONAL COMMISSION

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October 28, 2013

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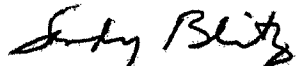
Dear Mr. Brotzman:

On behalf of Governor Shumlin and the NBRC Board, we congratulate you and your organization upon your selection of an NBRC Grant Award. The award is for \$169,100, to be matched by \$169,100 non-NBRC funds.

Enclosed are an original and a copy of the grant agreement. Please sign the original and return it to us (NBRC), by return mail. In addition, we have enclosed Part II of the Grant Agreement General Provisions; an NBRC Grant Administration Manual, as well as the ACH Vender Enrollment Form (SF-3881). You should complete the "Payee" section of the form and have your financial institution complete the last section of the form. Please return this to us along with the signed grant agreement. (This will allow you to receive payments).

We look forward to working with you to successfully complete the project, and more importantly look forward to the outcomes that you presented in your application.

Sincerely,



Sandford (Sandy) Blitz

cc: Governor Peter Shumlin
Elizabeth Miller, Governor's Chief of Staff
Aly Richards, Policy Advisor
Ken Horseman, Economic Development Specialist