



STATE OF VERMONT
JOINT FISCAL OFFICE

MEMORANDUM

To: Joint Fiscal Committee members
From: Daniel Dickerson, Fiscal Analyst
Date: April 18, 2016
Subject: Grant Request #2817, #2818, #2819, #2820

Enclosed please find four (4) items that the Joint Fiscal Office has received from the administration, including one (1) limited-service position.

JFO #2817 – \$20,000 grant from the Trust for Public Land to the VT Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation. The funds will be used by the Department to replaced undersized and failed culverts on the Dowsville Forest property, a 2,085 acre parcel of land that the Department has purchased for addition to neighboring Camel's Hump State Park.
[JFO received 4/15/16]

JFO #2818 – \$264,233 grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to the VT Department of Public Safety. The funds will be used to complete hazard mitigation projects to mitigate future problems identified following a storm in April 2014. The communities that would receive funds from this grant are Jamaica for drainage improvements and Ripton for a new town office generator.
[JFO received 4/15/16]

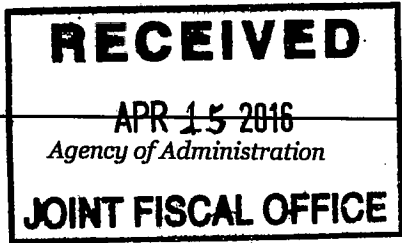
JFO #2819 – \$113,650 grant from the Nature Conservancy to the VT Department of Fish and Wildlife. Of the grant funds, \$61,350 would go towards the purchase of a 78.8 acre parcel of land along Mallets Creek in Colchester and \$52,300 would go towards implementing a restoration plan for wetlands within the parcel. The Department will use State funds of approximately \$123,650, from Duck Stamp proceeds, to fund the remaining costs of purchasing this parcel.
[JFO received 4/15/16]

JFO #2820 – \$337,128 grant from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to the VT Department of Health. The funds will be used over a 5-year period to advance efforts to support conformance with FDA Voluntary National Retail Food Regulatory Program Standards (VNRFRPS). **One (1) limited-service position**, titled Food & Lodging Specialist/Inspector, is associated with this request. The Department would utilize approximately \$6,322 of these funds during the remainder of State FY2016 and the remainder would be included in future appropriations requests.
[JFO received 4/15/16]

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 May 02, 2016 we will assume that you agree to consider as final the Governor's acceptance of these requests.



JFO 2817



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STATE OF VERMONT
FINANCE & MANAGEMENT GRANT REVIEW FORM

Grant Summary:		To assist in funding priority management and stewardship needs for the Dowsville Forest Property in Duxbury that will be added to Camel's Hump State Park, including culvert replacement and upgrading stream crossing structures.			
Date:		4/7/2016			
Department:		ANR - FPR 6130040000 Lands Administration			
Legal Title of Grant:		Donation from the Trust for Public Land			
Federal Catalog #:		N/A			
Grant/Donor Name and Address:		The Trust for Public Land, 3 Shipman Pl., Montpelier, VT 05602			
Grant Period:		From:		To:	
Grant/Donation		\$20,000			
	SFY 1	SFY 2	SFY 3	Total	Comments
Grant Amount:	\$20,000	\$	\$	\$20,000	
Position Information:		# Positions	Explanation/Comments		
		0			
Additional Comments:					
Department of Finance & Management				[Signature] (Initial)	
Secretary of Administration				[Signature] (Initial)	
Sent To Joint Fiscal Office				Date 4/14/16	

4/14/16



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

BASIC GRANT INFORMATION

1. Agency:	Agency of Natural Resources		
2. Department:	Forests, Parks and Recreation		
3. Program:	Lands Administration		
4. Legal Title of Grant:	Donation from the Trust for Public Land		
5. Federal Catalog #:	n/a		
6. Grant/Donor Name and Address:	The Trust for Public Land, 3 Shipman Pl., Montpelier, VT 05602		
7. Grant Period:	From:	<i>N/A, Donation</i>	To:
8. Purpose of Grant:	<p>The purpose of this donation is to provide the Department with supplemental funding to assist with priority management and stewardship needs associated with the Dowsville Forest property. The Department is scheduled to close on this property on March 30th. The Dowsville Forest parcel is a 2,085 acre parcel located in Duxbury that will be added to Camel's Hump State Park.</p>		
9. Impact on existing program if grant is not Accepted:	<p>Without this funding, the Department will be forced to delay needed culvert replacements on the many forest roads that are within the Dowsville Forest property. This will negatively impact flood resiliency and will put the road network on this property at greater risk of significant damage during flood events. The road network on this property is extremely popular with mountain bikers, snowmobilers, hikers, and backcountry skiers. It's important that we take immediate steps to upgrade certain stream crossing structures on this road network. These preventative measures will preserve recreational access and will dramatically reduce future maintenance costs.</p>		

10. BUDGET INFORMATION

	SFY 1	SFY 2	SFY 3	Comments
	FY 17	FY	FY	
Expenditures:				
Personal Services	\$	\$	\$	
Operating Expenses	\$20,000	\$	\$	
Grants	\$	\$	\$	
Total	\$20,000	\$	\$	
Revenues:				
State Funds:	\$	\$	\$	
Cash	\$	\$	\$	
In-Kind	\$	\$	\$	
Federal Funds:	\$	\$	\$	
(Direct Costs)	\$	\$	\$	
(Statewide Indirect)	\$	\$	\$	
(Departmental Indirect)	\$	\$	\$	
Other Funds:	\$20,000	\$	\$	
Grant (source)	\$	\$	\$	
Total	\$20,000	\$	\$	
Appropriation No:	<i>613004000</i>		Amount:	<i>\$ 20,000.00</i>

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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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Standard Questions for AA-1 Grant Approval

For Grant Approval Requests:

1. Are there any state matching requirements or contributions?

There are no state matching requirements associated with this donation.

2. Is the State already performing the function for which the funds are intended?

The Department already performs similar road work on existing state lands but only has limited funding available for making improvements to its vast transportation infrastructure. The Department has received only \$179,000 in funding for forest highway maintenance for the past couple years. This amount does not adequately address priority road maintenance needs for the Department's several hundred miles of existing state park and state forest highways and leaves nothing to address other road-related needs associated with new acquisitions.

3. After the term of the grant expires, what is the intent for the underlying activity? Does the grant funded activity cease to exist? Will the state be asked to assume financial responsibility?

Once these funds have been expended on priority culvert replacement on the Dowsville Forest property, the Department will continue to maintain and improve the road network on this property within its Forest Highway program as funding becomes available.

4. What are the measurements that are going to be used to evaluate the effectiveness of the expenditure?

Effectiveness will be measured by the number of failed or undersized culverts that can be replaced or upgraded on this property.

5. How will the grant funds be expended? What is the budget for the grant funds, including all funding sources, for the duration of the grant?

This funding will be used to replace undersized and failed culverts on the Department's Dowsville Forest property. All of the donated funding will be used for this purpose. While this funding will not address all the needed improvements to stream crossing structures on

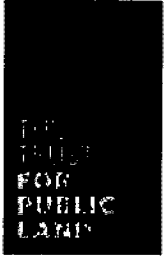
this property, we will use the funding to address the most significant problem areas.

6. What entities are collaborating on this grant; departments, community organizations?

This grant is being provided to the Department by the Trust for Public Lands which has partnered with the Department on the acquisition of the Dowsville Forest property. The Department will be working closely with various user groups including mountain bikers, snowmobilers, backcountry skiers, and others that are supporting this acquisition.

7. What is the intended staffing level for the grant funded activity?

Department staffing levels will not change as a result of this donation.



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March 24, 2016

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Re: Stewardship Grant in connection with the Dowsville Headwaters Forest Legacy
Project in Duxbury, VT

Dear Kate,

The Trust for Public Land is pleased to make a grant of \$15,000 to the State of Vermont ("State"), in conjunction with a \$5,000 gift from Forecastle Timber LLC, by means of the enclosed check of \$20,000 made payable to the State of Vermont, Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation (the "Grant Funds"). This grant is being made to the State in recognition of its acceptance, as The Trust for Public Land's nominee, of 2,085 acres of land in Duxbury, Vermont as an addition to Camel's Hump State Park. The Grant Funds shall be used for the purposes of managing the property and improving recreation infrastructure on the aforesaid property. Pursuant to the provisions of 3 V.S.A. § 2807, the State may commingle the Grant Funds with its other funds in the facilities trust fund for investment purposes.

TPL is pleased to be able to support the State's Forest Legacy Program and the protection of Dowsville Headwaters in this fashion.

Sincerely,

Kate Wanner
Project Manager
The Trust for Public Land