

## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT of RESOURCES and ECONOMIC DIVISION of PARKS and RECREATION

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Duane Hyde Southeast Land Trust PO Box 675 Exeter, NH 03833

RE: Land & Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Project #33-00697

Dear Mr. Hyde;

Congratulations as we are pleased to inform you and the Town of Durham, that LWCF project #33-00697, Thompson Forest, has been approved by the National Park Service (NPS) with an open project period of August 1, 2015 through December 31, 2018. The total LWCF grant share obligated for this project is \$150,000.00, for which the Town has committed to a minimum 50/50 share of direct costs.

## Enclosed are the following items:

- 2 State/Project Sponsor Project Agreements (signature items)
- 2 Project Sponsor Statement of Assurances (signature items)
- NPS Approved Proposal Description and Environmental Screening Form
- O DRAFT 6(f)(3) boundary map (final version as signature item prior to closeout)
- LWCF State Assistance Program Manual
- LWCF General Provisions

Please have all copies of the Project Agreement and Statement of Assurances signed by an authorized representative, then return one copy of each to this office and keep the remaining copies for your records. Per Section 6(f)(3) of the LWCF Act of 1965, funded properties must remain in public recreation use. This provision extends into perpetuity. As project sponsor the Town should retain these documents in a permanent file for future reference.

Please note, development within a LWCF project area should not commence until any necessary environmental permitting is completed; and any necessary resolutions with the State Historical Preservation Office, NH Fish and Game Department, and/or Natural Heritage Bureau regarding potential resource impacts area completed. Copies of the aforementioned should be provided to this office upon completion, otherwise some or all project expenses may not be reimbursable.



This office may conduct on-site project progress inspections at any time throughout the open project period. A progress report completed by this office will be required for any project sponsor's partial reimbursement request, and state's drawdown form the NPS grant account(s). The final reimbursement request will be required within 30 days of the project completion date or expiration, whichever comes first. This office will conduct the final inspection within this time period. Following the final inspection administrative and financial closeouts of the grant will be performed by this office for submittal to the NPS. Additional requirements may apply.

To avoid potential issues of non-compliance please maintain an open dialogue with this office regarding the advancement of the project. Any project amendments, including but not limited to significant changes in the scope or budget, must be reviewed by this office prior to implementation as they may require NPS approval.

We look forward to working with the Town towards the completion of this project and the further enhancements it will bring to the legacy of public recreation within the State of New Hampshire. We also thank the Town for its share of investment and continued commitment to public recreation through this project.

Sincerely

Eric M. Feldbaum

Community Recreation Specialist/ASLO

## Enclosures

CC: Todd Selig, Administrator, Town of Durham

Jeffrey J. Rose, Commissioner/SLO, NH DRED

Philip A. Bryce, Director/ASLO NH Division of Parks and Recreation

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