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STATE OF VERMONT LEGISLATIVE JOINT FISCAL COMMITTEE

Agenda

Tuesday, September 13, 2011

Room 10, State House

10:30 a.m.	Call to Order	
	1.	Overview of Fiscal Issues from Impacts of Tropical Storm Irene Jeb Spaulding, Secretary, Agency of Administration James Reardon, Commissioner, Department of Finance & Management Brian Searles, Secretary, Leonard LeBlanc, Director of Finance and Administration, Alec Portalupi, State Public Assistance Officer, FEMA, Agency of Transportation
11:15 a.m.		2. Consideration of FEMA Grants and other storm related grants [Accepted]
11:45 a.m.	3.	Proposed Temporary Expedited Review Process Relating to Tropical Storm Irene Grants and Gifts. [Accepted] Michael J. Obuchowski, Commissioner, Department of Buildings & General Services James Reardon, Commissioner, Department of Finance & Management
12:00 p.m.	Adjourn	

^{*}Emergency Board Meeting at 1:00 p.m. at the 5th floor Pavilion Conference Room.

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Minutes

Members present: Senators Campbell, Cummings, Kitchel, Sears and Snelling; and Representatives Ancel, Heath, and Johnson on conference call.

Other Attendees: Legislative Joint Fiscal Office and Legislative Council staff, and various media, lobbyists, advocacy groups, and members of the public.

The Chair, Senator Ann Cummings, called the meeting to order at 10: 40 a.m. and requested the administration to give an update on the impacts of Tropical Storm Irene.

Overview of Fiscal Issues from Impacts of Tropical Storm Irene:

Jeb Spaulding, Secretary, Agency of Administration, and Brian Searles, Secretary, Agency of Transportation, introduced themselves, and gave an update on the impacts of Tropical Storm Irene. Soon after the storm, the Administration had requested federal assistance, and had received a favorable response. Approximately 1,500 state employees were displaced from the Waterbury state office complex. Estimates on replacing offices or building new ones in a different location were still at the very preliminary stage, and any long-term decisions would require the Legislature's approval. The primary efforts at the complex have been to clean and stabilize the situation.

Senator Kitchel inquired about the status of the state's claim as a self-insurer for insurance reimbursement on state-owned property. Secretary Spaulding answered that preliminary information indicated that the Vermont's insurance included \$25 million in coverage for state-owned public infrastructure, \$7.5 million for the Waterbury Complex, with a \$1 million deductible. The deductible could be matched through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) with possible federal/state matches of 75%/25%, to as much as a 90%/10% match. There was an \$80 million threshold for the whole year on public infrastructure, not including transportation infrastructure, but there were potentially some provisions that may allow for more than the \$7.5 million for the Waterbury Complex but that was still in the early stages of exploration.

Secretary Spaulding added that August revenues were strong but there may be revenue impacts, due to Irene. Those impacts could include a slower than normal tourist season due to travel concerns regarding road damage. The administration would be watchful for a revenue change that could require a new consensus forecast in November or December.

Secretary Spaulding stated that the primary damage to state buildings occurred in the Waterbury office complex. The costs associated with just the cleanup for the Waterbury office complex could total \$15 to \$20 million. Some portions of the complex were not as heavily damaged

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and will reopen soon. The Department of Public Safety's Waterbury facility would be running normally in about a week or two at its original location.

Secretary Spaulding also commended the state hospital staff that went above and beyond their duties, relocating clients on a Sunday night during the evening of the flood. The relocations were short-term and clients would need to be permanently placed, but that could take as long as two years. Information was being gathered on possible permanent locations and the relevant time lines.

Secretary Spaulding offered that there were concerns on the state's share of the FEMA public assistance matches. There were transportation infrastructure projects (roads, bridges, and buildings) for all counties except Grand Isle in need of funding assistance. Some projects would qualify for insurance claims and then would be eligible for FEMA public assistance aid. The local match from FEMA grants would be about 12.5% but would likely decrease to 5%, if Vermont receives an added FEMA share. Representative Ancel asked if the matching funds increased to the 90/10 match, whether those grants would also include damage from the May 2011 flooding. Secretary Spaulding deferred to Alec Portalupi, State Public Assistance Officer, FEMA, Agency of Transportation. Mr. Portalupi responded that since Vermont has never hit a threshold of damage of this magnitude, it was unknown. However, he opined that it would probably not include the May damage.

Secretary Spaulding stated that the Emergency Board would be hearing proposals later the same day, including an emergency loan program to business and the set-aside of funding for FEMA match. A total amount of \$1.4 million was estimated to allow for up to \$10 million in Vermont Economic Development Authority (VEDA) loans at lower interest rates. Of those funds, \$600,000 was left over from an earlier VEDA farm assistance loan program. Another proposal to the Emergency Board was to transfer \$5 million from the Department of Corrections budget for the general purposes of responding to disaster recovery, and with the expectation of returning those funds through the FY 2012 budget adjustment process. Senator Cummings queried where corrections would get funds if the need arose. James Reardon, Commissioner, Department of Finance and Management, assured the committee that sufficient funds would be available to the Department of Corrections if any unforeseen expense arose.

Representative Ancel inquired about the discussion on the loss of residential property usage and possible abatements. Secretary Spaulding stated that the commissioner of the Department of Taxes was working with other administration staff in discussing options. Representative Ancel suggested that the legislature would need to continue addressing this issue.

Secretary Spaulding confirmed, for Senator Kitchel, that Caledonia County had been approved by FEMA but Vermont was waiting for Lamoille and Orleans Counties to get approval. Senator Cummings asked how small businesses and non-profits could apply for flood relief funds. Secretary Spaulding explained that businesses should apply to the Small Business loan program at the Vermont Economic Development Authority (VEDA) for individual assistance. This was a quick turn-around program with no interest in first year.

Secretary Searles referred to a handout and introduced Leonard LeBlanc, Director of Finance and Administration, Alec Portalupi, Deputy Director of Operations, and State Public

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Assistance Officer, FEMA, and Chris Cole, Director of Policy and Planning, the Agency of Transportation. Secretary Searles explained that Tropical Storm Irene had ravaged Vermont 17 days ago while places such as Johnson were still addressing issues from the spring flooding. Secretary Searles continued with background information on the damage Vermont suffered in the first few days post-Irene. A unified command center was established in Montpelier to discover what areas of the state were in need of assistance.

Secretary Searles offered that it would be a race against time to make the 36 places that had state road closures passable before winter. Senator Sears offered that the agency's response to fixing roads had been extraordinary under the circumstances, but he had concerns that paving projects on Interstate 89 continued instead of diverting manpower to flood-ravaged roads. Secretary Searles responded that those construction teams were not usable at this time in the storm-damaged areas until other fixes had been completed, but the agency had pulled some construction project teams off some pre-storm jobs and diverted them to storm-damaged areas as needed. Senator Campbell commended the agency's quick response, and queried if the agency was planning to do outreach to communities on the time line for road completions, such as Route 107. Secretary Searles committed the agency to communicate road rehabilitation plans to the affected communities. Senator Sears added that the non-flood paving projects gave the perception or image to the public that the state was not addressing the critical areas first. Secretary Searles further explained that the Administration decided that dismantling other road projects that were not flood-related would put a further burden on the already prior deficit of road conditions throughout the state. Representative Heath inquired whether there were contract issues if the state were to try and divert contracted companies to different projects. Secretary Searles stated that the state could work around contract issues but it was more an issue of the appropriate types of contract practices.

Representative Heath asked for clarity on whether Vermont was secure in its funds to cover transportation needs from the flood. Secretary Searles pointed to the handout (page 3) that listed the funds available to Vermont for post-Irene damage. He explained that the agency was also working very closely with Vermont's Congressional Delegation on not only waiving the federal assistance cap, but also the 180-day participation rule, which would reduce the grants to an 80/20 match and have extensive ramifications for the transportation fund. Damage to rail was estimated at \$20 to \$24 million, and could also receive FEMA funding. A preliminary estimate of total state transportation system damage was between \$300 and \$500 million. Additional funding pressures may come from town infrastructure that could qualify for funds and need a state match.

Secretary Searles explained that Mr. Cole had been working with the Vermont Planning Commissions in assisting in the collection of data from towns on infrastructure assessments. The most recent preliminary data from the planning commissions were documented on page 1 of the Secretary's handout. Secretary Spaulding warned that the estimates were only preliminary and not indicative of what the total cost would ultimately tally.

In answering Senator Sears' question, Mr. Portalupi explained that the agency had been working on a plan for towns for repair and reimbursement but some towns were moving forward before those plans were finalized. There were concerns that towns without agency plans would not receive reimbursement from FEMA or the agency. Senator Snelling asked if there was a process for

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towns to respond to infrastructure issues. Mr. Portalup explained that towns were just notified of agency plans, and a briefing for applicants was held in the last few days.

Senator Kitchel queried if the Administration had identified any expenditures for natural resources costs that may not have funding from FEMA, such as redirecting streams back to their original paths of pre-Irene. Secretary Searles explained that FEMA had responded to some of these types of issues, but there were still some outstanding questions on how some things will be addressed. Mr. Portalupi added that direct damage areas were the easily addressed funding pieces for FEMA, and most of these should occur next week. The debris removal was more challenging to quantify when there was no obvious eminent future threat, but there are other programs through the federal and state government that FEMA and the Agency of Natural Resources will help guide Vermont through to address those issues.

Senator Cummings asked that the Administration continue briefing the committee on any updates of the Irene recovery in future JFC meetings. Senator Campbell requested that the Administration have staff available for the public receiving FEMA assistance that may have questions on the best use of funds to address their situation. Secretary Spaulding offered to contact the home ownership organizations to help answer questions and offer training to folks requesting how to effectively purchase a new home or how to resolve their current housing situation.

Secretary Searles warned that there could be a state cash flow risk if federal funds were delayed. Because of this, the Administration is evaluating whether FY 2012 transportation funds could be redirected to flood damage areas. Representative Heath inquired whether the private contractors assisting with the flood recovery were receiving reimbursement. Secretary Searles replied that the agency had disbursed \$500,000 to private contractors early in the recovery effort. Representative Heath asked if there would be an issue with the timing of reimbursement. Secretary Searles stated that timing was still an issue but there would be a clearer picture after October 1. Representative Heath showed concern for the current conversations in Congress of not fully funding FEMA, and whether Vermont would be affected. Secretary Searles replied that the latest conversations had not included underfunding FEMA, and that the Administration was confident that Vermont would receive all of its grants.

Consideration of FEMA grants and other storm-related grants

Commissioner Reardon stated that Vermont had received an estimated \$8.2 million in grants from FEMA for storm-related recovery efforts with an estimated \$2.8 million in the state match. The grant was based on an initial preliminary estimate of \$11 million, and the Administration was asking the JFC for spending authority for the grant. Commissioner Reardon explained that once the grant [JFO 2522] were accepted, future grants could be disbursed by the Commissioner through the excess receipts process to expedite the flow of funds for recovery efforts. Commissioner Reardon offered to submit a fund report at the next JFC meeting, under a separate line item for recovery grants of the Excess Receipts Report, and thereafter to the fiscal committees during the legislative session.

Representative Heath moved to accept the Governor's approval of JFO 2522, a grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to provide disaster assistance for damages caused by Tropical Storm Irene, Senator Snelling seconded the motion. Commissioner Reardon clarified that

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the funds were for public assistance for infrastructure. A conversation ensued on the open-endedness of the state match for the grant. Commissioner Reardon strongly recommended that the committee receive updates at its next two meetings on the programmatic and fiscal updates of the Irene recovery grants. The Administration will provide its best fiscal information at the House Committee on Appropriations budget adjustment meetings in December. Representative Heath stated that although the fiscal impact was daunting and discouraging, there was no choice but to match those funds to support Vermont in its recovery. Representative Ancel requested that the Legislature be kept informed of developments on Irene-related recovery grants.

Senator Cummings asked for a vote on the motion. The Committee voted in favor of accepting the motion.

Proposed Temporary Expedited Review Process Relating to Tropical Storm Irene Grants and Gifts.

Michael Obuchowski, Commissioner of the Department of Buildings and General Services, explained the temporary review process for grants and gifts in relation to Tropical Storm Irene and referred to the proposal submitted to the committee. Senator Sears moved to accept the proposed Tropical Storm Irene expedited grant review policy as part of the Joint Fiscal Committee's expedited grant review policy, and Senator Kitchel seconded the motion. The committee accepted the motion.

The Committee adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Theresa Utton-Jerman, Legislative Joint Fiscal Office



STATE OF VERMONT JOINT FISCAL COMMITTEE

MEMORANDUM

To:

James Reardon, Commissioner of Finance & Management

From:

Senator Cummings, Chair, Joint Fiscal Committee

Date:

September 14, 2011

Subject:

Tropical Storm Irene Grant/Donation Policy Update

Dear Commissioner Reardon,

Yesterday, the Joint Fiscal Committee adopted a special grant/donation acceptance policy for gifts related to the process of recovery from damages inflicted by tropical storm Irene. As you know, state law (32 V.S.A. § 5) prohibits state acceptance of grants/donations without approval from the Governor and Legislature (via the Joint Fiscal Committee). This new policy is intended to accelerate acceptance of donations to the State, and was developed jointly by Legislative branch and Executive branch staff.

The Joint Fiscal Committee adopted this policy secure in the knowledge that the Executive branch will develop a 24 hour approval process that ensures grants/donations are submitted to the Joint Fiscal Office promptly. The Secretary of Administration made clear the intention to develop such a policy in his letter dated September 2, 2011.

We are concerned that agencies understand that gifts and grants must still be acknowledged and accepted, albeit through the new expedited policy. This process will ensure transparency and compliance with existing law.

We ask that you take such action as is necessary to develop the Executive branch policy, and disseminate it along with the Joint Fiscal Committee policy, to all relevant agencies and departments so that we can put this expedited policy to work for Vermonters.

Vermonters are eager to assist their neighbors in this recovery effort. This policy will allow the State to accept their generosity without delay.

Sincerely,

Senator Ann Cummings

Chair, Joint Fiscal Committee

cc:

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Agency of Transportation, Brian Searles

Joint Fiscal Committee September 13, 2011 Irene Briefing – VTrans

Closure Status

State Route Segments Closed Post-Storm		139
State Route Segments Reopened		124
Varying Levels of Service	92	
One Lane Only	20	
Emergency Vehicles Only	12	
State Route Segments Closed Today		15
State Bridges Closed Post-Storm		34
State Bridges Reopened		13
State Bridges Closed Today		21
Total Closures Road & Bridge Post-Storm		173
Total Reopened (Many limited service)		137
Total Road and Bridge Closures Today		36

VTrans Priorities and Goals Immediately After Irene

- Provide safety and emergency access to all Vermonters affected by the storm.
 - VTrans employees worked throughout the storm closing roads, erecting barricades and helping Vermonters during the flooding.
- ❖ Provide emergency access to the 13 isolated towns.
 - Achieved access to 12 towns within 24 hours, access to Wardsboro the next day.
- ❖ Prioritize work at road closures that inhibited utility crews from restoring power.
 - On September 1, in the Dummerston ICC, we had a total of 5,800 residences with power outages. On September 2, we had a total of 1,200.
- Prioritize work on east/west connections, routes 4 and 9 as key corridors for mobility and commerce.
 - Route 9 opened twelve days after Irene hit and route 4 is anticipated to open 20 days after significant portions were washed away.
- * Ensuring all affected roads are in a condition ready for winter maintenance.
 - Winter preparations are currently underway.

External Support

- National Guard from five states.
- ➤ Neighboring States' Transportation agencies
- > Private contracting community
- > Associated General Contractors
- > Regional Planning Commissions
- > Public Support

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Upcoming Progress and Challenges

Communication to the traveling public – Google maps is updated twice daily

As mentioned, we expect route 4 to be opened for public use by this weekend.

Some very tough spots are being scoped and/or reconstructed and the last 35 closures will take some time. Bridge and road closures are concentrated on Rts. 100, 12, 12A, 131 with perhaps the most significant hurdles on Rt. 106 in Weathersfield, Rt. 131 in Cavendish and 107 between Stockbridge and Bethel. The race against time is on with the onset of winter close at hand.

The continued success of our schedule depends on the timely acquisition of temporary bridge parts to augment our existing stock. There has been considerable demand for these parts nationwide and although we anticipate completing these temporary installations it is not without problems as we compete with other states for a diminishing supply of what's needed to make these short-term repairs. At this point, at least a dozen of the 20 existing bridge closures are likely to be resolved using temporary bridges.

Winter Preparedness

It is imperative that we turn the attention of some of our Operations forces to preparing for the winter season. We are moving forward to prepare of our workforce and fleet for winter operations. Significant snows at higher elevations are not unheard of in early October. This raises the issue of location of our Incident Command Centers and the possibility of moving those that are co-located with small district facilities. This is a particular problem in Rutland and we are seeking other quarters to move "Irene" operations in the near future.

Town Damage Picture

As the extent of the damage to the State system became clearer, we at VTrans recognized the towns would need additional support to fix their roads by winter. We organized an RPC effort to provide additional assistance to the towns, assessing municipal needs, mapping areas of closure and assisting in the coordination of FEMA and FHWA ER project estimation.

The situation in the towns affected by Irene is still dire and the effort by the Regional Planning Commissions to coordinate efforts on behalf of towns is up and running. It is important that these needs are identified and met as soon as possible and the picture of the overall damage to infrastructure and the appropriate fixes is important to solutions before the winter season; not to mention the problem mentioned above concerning lack of temporary bridge stock. We must also be able to discuss fully the damage to transportation infrastructure statewide and right now the numbers for the town system are not known.

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FHWA Emergency Relief Program (ER) – Covers highway damage on Federal-aid system Description:

- Funds repair or reconstruction of Federal-aid highways (excludes most town highway)
 which have suffered serious damage as a result of natural disasters or catastrophic
 failures from an external cause.
- This program supplements the commitment of resources by States to help pay for unusually heavy expenses resulting from extraordinary conditions.

Funds Available:

- \$100 million in annual federal authorization. This amount becomes available on October 1 and Vermont will get a share. Vermont currently has been approved for \$5 million in ER "quick release" funds.
- By law, can only provide up to \$100 million in ER funding to a State for each natural disaster or catastrophic failure that is found eligible for funding under the ER program (commonly referred to as the \$100 million per State cap).
- For a large disaster that exceeds the \$100 million per State cap, Congress may pass special legislation lifting the cap for that disaster. Vermont has already received \$5 million in ER "quick release" funds. We will also receive a portion of the \$100 million that becomes available nationally after Oct. 1, 2011.

Federal Share:

- Emergency repair work to restore essential travel, minimize the extent of damage, or
 protect the remaining facilities, accomplished in the first 180 days after the disaster
 occurs, may be reimbursed at 100 percent Federal share.
- For permanent work (replacing a bridge for example), ER funds are available at the prorata share that would normally apply to the Federal-aid facility damaged. For Interstate highways, the Federal share is 90 percent. For all other highways the Federal share is 80 percent.

Additional Information/Issues:

- Vermont will need Congress to approve eliminating or increasing the \$100 million cap.
- Vermont will need to ask Congress to make all costs in excess of \$100 million eligible for 100 percent Federal share.
- Vermont will also have to request Congress to extend the deadline for emergency work beyond the current 180 day limit because of the constraints that approaching Winter imposes to emergency work.
- In the past, Vermont has had to wait for more than a year for ER approved funds to be made available. This could create a significant cash flow burden while the State pays for work that we cannot yet be reimbursed for. Vermont can use FHWA annual formula money funds for ER projects if we have to wait for ER funds to be made available.

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• Vermont needs for Congress to act quickly to approve all disaster assistance funding.

FEMA Public Assistance Program – Covers highway damage off the Federal-aid system (including most town highways)

Description:

Funds repair or reconstruction of public infrastructure (not on the Federal-aid system)
which have suffered serious damage as a result of natural disasters. This includes most
town highways, and also includes damage to public buildings (including state buildings),
sewage treatment plants, and debris removal.

Funds Available:

- Funds are available as approved by FEMA.
- FEMA covers 75 percent of all approved costs. This increases to 90 percent when damage surpasses \$127 per capita, or approximately \$127 million for Vermont.
- State funds (ERAF Emergency Relief and Assistance Fund) typically cover half the non-federal share, or 12.5%. ERAF fund is typically funded by transfers from the General Fund.
- Local funds typically cover half the non-federal share, or 12.5%. Local share is reduced to 10% if town has an approved mitigation plan ERAF (state) share increases to 15%.

Additional Information/Issues:

- Vermont needs for Congress to act quickly to approve all disaster assistance funding.
- Our experience is that preliminary estimates often are far less than actual costs.
- Application period for this disaster continues through end of September; total cost estimate will increase also.

Greatest Risks:

- 1. State cash flow risk: If federal funds are delayed, VT will be expending funds that will we not be reimbursed for until much later.
- 2. State fund risk: VTrans will not be able to redirect FY2012 transportation funds to Irene efforts for match and costs not eligible for federal reimbursement.
- 3. Capacity risk: VTrans lacks sufficient resources to deliver both the annual transportation program and Irene-related relief efforts.



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September 2, 2011

Joint Fiscal Office 1 Baldwin Street Montpelier, Vermont 05633-5701

Dear Joint Fiscal Committee:

Flood and wind from Hurricane Irene has caused an unprecedented level of damage across Vermont. As Vermonters begin the long and difficult process of recovery, we are witnessing an equally unprecedented level of generosity from Vermonters, Vermont businesses, and our friends and neighbors across the United States.

Some examples of gifts that have been suggested or offered include:

- 200 tons of horse feed value \$58,000
- Free meals for workers and state clients up to \$10,000
- 40 generators est. value 30,000
- Fitted up space for temporary occupancy value undetermined
- Computers

The current grant approval is not designed to rapidly respond to the variety and frequency of assistance being offered, and may create a delay that would seriously hinder the State's recovery effort, including the ability to provide direct assistance to victims. After discussions with the Joint Fiscal Office, we propose a category of grants to be reviewed under a special expedited process. In order to qualify for such treatment, a grant/donation must meet the following criteria:

- Be directly related to Hurricane Irene cleanup and repair
- Individual grant/donations may not exceed \$100,000
- · Acceptance of the grant/donation does not bind the State to future action or force the State to incur a future cost
- The total value of grants/donations accepted in this manner does not exceed \$1,000,000

The Joint Fiscal Committee has adopted an expedited grant review policy pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 5(a) (2). We ask that this policy be amended in order to effectively waive Joint Fiscal Committee review of items submitted in accordance with the criteria outlined above for a period of 60 days. Draft language follows this letter.

In order to accelerate the acceptance process within the Executive branch, the administration will develop a 24 hour approval process to ensure that these grants/donations are submitted to the Joint Fiscal Office without delay.

We deeply appreciate your willingness to consider such a temporary policy modification. Our ability to respond rapidly to the needs that Vermonters face is very important at this time.

Sincerely,

Jeb Spaulding

Secretary

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Proposed JFC Expedited Review Policy Amendment

"Tropical Storm Irene Temporary Expedited Grant Review" policy

Expedited approval under 32 V.S.A. § 5 can be granted for all grants or donations directly related to Hurricane Irene cleanup and repair.

The 30 day committee review period will be waived, and the Governor's approval shall be considered final, if the following conditions are met:

- 1. The grant/donation is submitted to the Joint Fiscal Office on or before November 7, 2011.
- 2. The grant/donation submitted to the Joint Fiscal Office includes all of the information required under 32 V.S.A. § 5(a)(1).
- 3. The grant/donation is directly related to Hurricane Irene cleanup and repair.
- 4. The amount of the grant/donation does not exceed \$100,000.
- 5. Acceptance of the grant/donation does not bind the State to future action or force the State to incur a future cost
- 6. The total value of grants/donations accepted under this policy does not exceed \$1,000,000

The Joint Fiscal Office shall provide notification of acceptance to the Agency of Administration of eligible grants/donations approved under this policy within 24 hours of submission by the Administration.

The Joint Fiscal Office shall present a list of grants/donations submitted under this policy to the Joint Fiscal Committee at the first Joint Fiscal Committee meeting subsequent to the expiration of the acceptance period.

TITLE 32

Taxation and Finance

CHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

§ 5. Acceptance of grants

- (a) No original of any grant, gift, loan, or any sum of money or thing of value may be accepted by any agency, department, commission, board, or other part of state government except as follows:
- (1) All such items must be submitted to the governor who shall send a copy of the approval or rejection to the joint fiscal committee through the joint fiscal office together with the following information with respect to said items:
 - (A) the source of the grant, gift or loan;
 - (B) the legal and referenced titles of the grant;
 - (C) the costs, direct and indirect, for the present and future years related to such a grant;
 - (D) the department and/or program which will utilize the grant;
 - (E) a brief statement of purpose;
 - (F) impact on existing programs if grant is not accepted.
- (2) The governor's approval shall be final unless within 30 days of receipt of such information a member of the joint fiscal committee requests such grant be placed on the agenda of the joint fiscal committee, or, when the general assembly is in session, be held for legislative approval. In the event of such request, the grant shall not be accepted until approved by the joint fiscal committee or the legislature. The 30-day period may be reduced where expedited consideration is warranted in accordance with adopted joint fiscal committee policies. During the legislative session the joint fiscal committee shall file a notice with the house and senate clerks for publication in the respective calendars of any grant approval requests that are submitted by the administration.
- (3) This section shall not apply to the acceptance of grants, gifts, donations, loans, or other things of value with a value of \$5,000.00 or less, or to the acceptance by the department of forests, parks and recreation of grants, gifts, donations, loans, or other things of value with a value of \$15,000.00 or less, provided that such acceptance will not incur additional expense to the state or create an ongoing requirement for funds, services, or facilities. The secretary of administration and joint fiscal office shall be promptly notified of the source, value, and purpose of any items received under this subdivision. The joint fiscal office shall report all such items to the joint fiscal committee quarterly.
- (b) In accordance with subsection (a) of this section, in conjunction with a grant, a limited service position request for a position explicitly stated for a specific purpose in the grant, may be authorized. The position shall terminate with the expiration of the grant funding unless otherwise funded by an act of the general assembly. Such authorized limited service positions shall not be created until the appointing authority has certified to the joint fiscal committee that there exists equipment and housing for the positions or that funds are available to purchase equipment and housing for the positions. (Added 1971, No. 260 (Adj. Sess.), § 29(a); amended 1977, No. 247 (Adj. Sess.), § 186, eff. April 17, 1978; 1983, No. 253 (Adj. Sess.), § 248; 1995, No. 46, § 52; 1995, No. 63, § 277, eff. May 4, 1995; 1995, No. 178 (Adj. Sess.), § 416, eff. May 22, 1996; 1997, No. 2, § 72, eff. Feb. 12, 1997; 1997, No. 66 (Adj. Sess.), § 60, eff. Feb. 20, 1998; 2007, No. 65, § 394; 2009, No. 146

(Adj. Sess.), § B15; No. 156 (Adj. Sess.), § E.127.2, eff. June 3, 2010.)



MEMORANDUM

To:

Joint Fiscal Committee Members

From:

Nathan Lavery, Fiscal Analyst

Date:

September 9, 2011

Subject:

Grant Request

Enclosed please find one (1) grant request that the Joint Fiscal Office has received from the administration.

JFO #2522 — \$8,250,000 (estimated) grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to the Vermont Agency of Transportation. These funds will be used to provide disaster assistance for damages caused by tropical storm Irene in the following counties: Addison, Bennington, Caledonia, Chittenden, Essex, Franklin, Lamoille, Orange, Orleans, Rutland, Washington, Windham, Windsor. The actual amount of this award may vary subject to damage assessments.

[JFO received 9/8/11]

This grant has been placed on the Joint Fiscal Committee's September 13th agenda. JFC members will have the opportunity to vote on acceptance of this grant at that time.

Please review the enclosed materials and notify the Joint Fiscal Office (Nathan Lavery at (802) 828-1488; <u>nlavery@leg.state.vt.us</u>) if you have questions.

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Grant Summary:			To provide federal disaster assistance for damages from tropical storm Irene.								
Date:			9/8/2011								
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Legal Title of Gra	ant:		FEMA-	-4022-DR	R-VT	1					
Federal Catalog #	<i>‡</i> :		97.036								
Grant/Donor Nan	ne and Add	ress:	Federal Emergency Management Agency								
Grant Period:	From:		8/29/2011 To:								
Grant/Donation			\$8,250,000 based on 75% of \$11,000,000.00 initial estimate; amounts to be determined as damage estimates progress.								
	SFY			Y 2		SFY 3	Total		Comments	8	
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STATE OF VERMONT REQUEST FOR GRANT (*) ACCEPTANCE (Form AA-1)

BASIC GRANT INFORMATION											
1. Agency:	T	ransportation	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·								
2. Department:	С	perations									
3. Program:	P	ublic Assistance									
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			ounty, Washington County								
County. This re	quest is	for authority to acce	ept all FEMA Public Assist	ance funds associ	iated with 4022-DR-VT						
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department, commission, board,				- **



LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS DIVISION 202-646-4500

STATE OF VERMONT

FEDERAL DISASTER DECLARATION FACT SHEET

SEPTEMBER 1, 2011

On September 1, 2011, President Obama issued a major disaster declaration for the State of Vermont, triggering the release of Federal funds to help individuals and communities recover from the effects of Tropical Storm Irene, occurring August 29, 2011, and continuing. Details of the disaster declaration and assistance programs are as follows:

Declaration Number:

FEMA-4022-DR

Incident:

Tropical Storm Irene

Incident Period:

August 29, 2011, and continuing

Federal Coordinating Officer:

Craig A. Gilbert

National FCO Program

Individual Assistance (IA):

(Assistance to individuals and households):

IA - Designated Counties:

Chittenden, Rutland, Washington, and Windsor Counties.

Public Assistance (PA):

(Assistance for emergency work and the repair or replacement of

disaster-damaged facilities):

PA - Designated Counties:

Addison, Bennington, Caledonia, Chittenden, Essex, Franklin, Lamoille, Orange, Orleans, Rutland, Washington, Windham, and

Windsor Counties. Direct federal assistance is authorized.

Hazard Mitigation (HM):

(Assistance for actions taken to prevent or reduce long-term risk

to life and property from natural hazards):

HM - Designated Counties:

All counties in the State of Vermont are eligible to apply for

assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

OTHER:

Additional designations may be made at a later date if requested

by the State and warranted by the results of further damage

assessments.

If you have any questions or need additional information on this Federal disaster declaration, please contact Jaime Cook at (202) 646-4500, FAX number (202) 646-3600.





Vermont Tropical Storm Irene

Major Disaster Declared September 1, 2011 (DR-4022) [En Español]

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Designated Counties

Disaster Summary For FEMA-DR-4022, Vermont

Declaration Date: September 1, 2011

Incident: Tropical Storm Irene

Incident Period: August 27, 2011 and continuing

Individual Assistance

(Assistance to individuals and households):

Addison County, Bennington County, Chittenden County, Orange County, Rutland County, Washington County, Windham County, and Windsor County.

Public Assistance

(Assistance to State and local governments and certain private nonprofit organizations for emergency work and the repair or replacement of disaster-damaged facilities):

Addison County, Bennington County, Caledonia County, Chittenden County, Essex County, Franklin County, Lamoille County, Orange County, Orleans County, Rutland County, Washington County, Windham County, and Windsor County.

Category A: Addison County, Bennington County, Caledonia County, Chittenden County, Essex County, Franklin County, Lamoille County, Orange County, Orleans County, Rutland County, Washington County, Windham County, and Windsor County.

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Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

(Assistance to State and local governments and certain private nonprofit organizations for actions taken to prevent or reduce long term risk to life and property from natural hazards):

All jurisdictions in Vermont are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

Other: Additional designations may be made at a later date after further evaluation.

Are you a disaster survivor?

Read our 3 Step Guide and apply online or call (800) 621-3362 TTY (800) 462-7585

f Y Disaster Recovery Center Locator

Are you an organization who provides government services and was affected by this disaster?

View the Federal Aid Programs that can be made available as needed and warranted under this disaster declaration.

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Learn more about the Public Assistance Grant Program.

Financial Assistance to Help Families and Communities Recover

Definitions Individual Public **Assistance Assistance** Total Individual Assistance (IA) Applications Approved: 334 Total Individual & Households Program Dollars Approved* \$3,146,441.85 **Total Housing Assistance** Dollars Approved* \$3,035,222.27 **Total Other Needs Assistance** Dollars Approved* \$111,219.58 Last Updated:09/05/2011 03:59 AM EST Updated daily

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THE AMERICAN JOBS ACT: IMPACT FOR VERMONT

The American people understand that the economic crisis and the deep recession weren't created overnight and won't be solved overnight. The economic security of the middle class has been under attack for decades. That's why President Obama believes we need to do more than just recover from this economic crisis – we need to rebuild the economy the American way, based on balance, fairness, and the same set of rules for everyone from Wall Street to Main Street. We can work together to create the jobs of the future by helping small business entrepreneurs, by investing in education, and by making things the world buys. The President understands that to restore an American economy that's built to last we cannot afford to outsource American jobs and encourage reckless financial deals that put middle class security at risk.

To create jobs, the President unveiled the American Jobs Act – nearly all of which is made up of ideas that have been supported by both Democrats and Republicans, and that Congress should pass right away to get the economy moving now. The purpose of the American Jobs Act is simple: put more people back to work and put more money in the pockets of working Americans. And it would do so without adding a dime to the deficit. The American Jobs Act has five components:

1. Tax Cuts to Help America's Small Businesses Hire and Grow

• The President's plan will cut the payroll tax in half to 3.1% for employers on the first \$5 million in wages, providing broad tax relief to all businesses but targeting it to the 98 percent of firms with wages below this level. In Vermont, 20,000 firms will receive a payroll tax cut under the American Jobs Act.

2. Putting Workers Back on the Job While Rebuilding and Modernizing America

- The President's plan includes \$50 billion in immediate investments for highways, transit, rail and aviation, helping to modernize an infrastructure that now receives a grade of "D" from the American Society of Civil Engineers and putting hundreds of thousands of construction workers back on the job. Of the investments for highway and transit modernization projects, the President's plan will make immediate investments of at least \$136,000,000 in Vermont that could support a minimum of approximately 1,800 local jobs.
- The President is proposing to invest \$35 billion to prevent layoffs of up to 280,000 teachers, while supporting the hiring of tens of thousands more and keeping cops and firefighters on the job. These funds would help states and localities avoid and reverse layoffs now, and will provide \$55,500,000 in funds to Vermont to support up to 800 educator and first responder jobs.
- The President is proposing a \$25 billion investment in school infrastructure that will modernize at least 35,000 public schools investments that will create jobs, while improving classrooms and upgrading our schools to meet 21st century needs. Vermont will receive \$57,500,000 in funding to support as many as 700 jobs.
- The President is proposing to invest \$15 billion in a national effort to put construction workers on the job rehabilitating and refurbishing hundreds of thousands of vacant and foreclosed homes and businesses. Vermont could receive about \$20,000,000 to revitalize and refurbish local communities, in addition to funds that would be available through a competitive application.
- The President's plan proposes \$5 billion of investments for facilities modernization needs at community colleges. Investment in modernizing community colleges fills a key resource gap, and ensures these local, bedrock education institutions have the facilities and equipment to address current workforce demands in today's highly technical and growing fields. Vermont could receive \$5,300,000 in funding in the next fiscal year for its community colleges.

3. Pathways Back to Work for Americans Looking for Jobs.

Drawing on the best ideas of both parties and the most innovative states, the President is proposing the
most sweeping reforms to the unemployment insurance (UI) system in 40 years help those without jobs

- transition to the workplace. This could help put the 7,000 long-term unemployed workers in Vermont back to work.
- Alongside these reforms, the President is reiterating his call to extend unemployment insurance, preventing 1,100 people looking for work in Vermont from losing their benefits in just the first 6 weeks. And, across the country, the number saved from losing benefits would triple by the end of the year.
- The President is proposing a new <u>Pathways Back to Work Fund</u> to provide hundreds of thousands of low-income youth and adults with opportunities to work and to achieve needed training in growth industries. Pathways Back to Work could place 200 adults and 600 youths in jobs in Vermont.

4. Tax Relief for Every American Worker and Family

• The President's plan will expand the payroll tax cut passed last December by cutting workers payroll taxes in half next year. A typical household in Vermont, with a median income of around \$52,000, will receive a tax cut of around \$1,610.

5. Fully Paid for as Part of the President's Long-Term Deficit Reduction Plan.

To ensure that the American Jobs Act is fully paid for, the President will call on the Joint Committee to come up with additional deficit reduction necessary to pay for the Act and still meet its deficit target. The President will, in the coming days, release a detailed plan that will show how we can do that while achieving the additional deficit reduction necessary to meet the President's broader goal of stabilizing our debt as a share of the economy

BLDG Number	BUILDING	Space (Gross)	(ground floor removal by)	Oils	Other	Cleared of Contam- inants*	Demucked/ Demolishe	Cleane d**	Dryed	Re- Energize d	Elevato r (Pits pumped)	Sprinkler Svstem	Fire Alarm System Operational	Tel/Data Re- establ'ed	Building Repair Status	Comments
06391	BGS Maintenance Building		Pipe Ins (Mansfl	PERSONAL PROPERTY.		YES	100%	90%	50%		1					Abatement to be completed by 9/13.
06378	Power House	7,650	Pipe IIIs (Mailsii	Done		YES	100%*	70%	5070							Generator room not cleaned. EnPro still in tunnel.
06617	Sewage Pump Station	200		- MACHINE		YES	Hartigan	75%	NA						BGS	Back on line. Running on portable generator power.
06350	Osgood Building	41,051				YES	100%	90%	Begun		#12				500	Bush of hits. Turning of percent gorial and perfect
06353	4 North		Plaster (Catam't)			YES	100%	50%	Begun							Jeff Smith of Fairpoint says Timplex room salvage is complete.
06354	5 North		Trench (Catam't			YES	100%	40%	Begun							
06355	6 & 7 North	15,400		·· <u>/</u>	Wd FIr - in	YES	80%	5%	NO	F-1						Asbestos plaster on walls. Removal to start 9/13.
-	8 & 9 North	11,765]		Wd FI - remove	STATE OF TAXABLE PARTY.	80%	50%	Begun							Sub-Basement needs to be de-mucked and vapor barrier replaced. Action to start 9/13.
06366	"A" Building	28,046			Fan Room	YES	100%	60%	Begun		Sept 1		~			***
06357	10 North	17,287				YES	100%	50%	Begun							
06351	1,2 & 3 North	24,922		Done		YES	100%	50%	Begun		757					
06352	North Connector		Plaster (Catam't	S PARRIED IN		YES	100%	25%								Need asbestos plaster out ASAP, Catamount to start 9/13.
06373	Center Building		Plaster (EHM)	/		YES	100%	50%			86					Need asbestos plaster out ASAP. EHM started 9.12.
06374	Center Core-Kitchen/West Office	57,786]		Fan Room	YES	100%	50%			670					Drying to start 9/14. EnPro to remove Server Room batteries. 9/13. VCT removal per Duchac?
06385	Old Laundry	8,284				YES	100%	75%	Begun							
06358	1,2,3 South	26,292	İ			YES	90%	50%			100					
06359	South Connector	6,389				YES	90%	50%								
06396	4 South	8,129	1/2		Fan Room	YES	95%	50%	Begun							7
06361	5 South	10,064			7 dir (toons	YES	90%	50%	Begun							(3) rooms need plaster and lath removed (does not contain asbestos).
06362	8 4 7 South	12,771				YES	95%	50%	Begun							
06375	Sewing Building		Jt. Comp'd (Lev.		Wd Fl - in	YES	75%	0%								Drywall asbestos demo started. Levaggi wil need one more wk. Will also demo floors? Clarify.
06363	8 & 9 South	11,218	or comparizer.		AAG 5.1-111	YES	90%	50%			wite					Drywall aspestes define started. Edvaggi will need one more wit. Will also define hoors: Startly.
06364	10 South		Plaster (EHM)	L		YES	90%	0%			7010					Asbestos abatement in process - EHM needs one more week to complete.
06365	The second second second second	42,673	Plaster (Enivi)	[YES	100%	85%	Begun		15 000					Assested abatement in process - Li livi needs one more week to complete.
06303	Date Building Hospital Admissions / Storehouse	7,462				YES	100%	85%	85%						ECL to CM job	(1) file cab & electronics - can these be demolished?
		31,660				YES	100%	95%	Begun		82					VCT removal per Duchac?
06383	Mental Hospital / Brooks Building	5,854				YES	100%	80%	Begun		-				ECITO CIVI JOD.	VOT Territovar per Duchace
06372	Hanks Building		Diale 8 Else (Mis	-	Fan Rooms	YES	98%	65%	Begun		1/底					Files removed 9/12. Asbestos removal to start 9/13.
06367	Weeks Building	24,836	Pip'g & Flr'g (Mid	1)	ran Rooms	YES	100%				.07					Fries Tellioved 9/12. Aspestos Tellioval to Staft 9/13.
06369 06384	Ladd Hall DPS Building	53,758	Tun pipes (Mids)	Dema		YES	60%	60%	Begun	YES	81			VES		Demo of crawl space poly & pipe insulation in process. EF Wall to re-poly week of 9/12.
	NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE OWNER, TH	34,197	THE DRIES WHEN	Done		YES	100%	NA	NA	YES	#15			YES		Muck cleaned out on 9/7 from mechanical tunnel under main lobby.
06397	ORS New Forensics Lab	33,210		-		YES	10%	75%	Begun	160	#15			100	EE Wall to CM	EnPro to pump out steam piping entry pit (full of water from steam tunnel).
06394	Ag /Env Lab		Classics (stable)			YES	100%	95%	90%		44				EF Wall to CIVI	Asbestos flooring stable - does not need to be removed.
06370	Stanley Hall		Flooring (stable)	100	Wood Floor - in?	THE RESERVE AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON NAMED IN	100%	100%	Begun		200					Odor in steam tunnel. EnPro needs to pump ASAP.
06371 06376	Wasson Hall 43.5 Randall (Barn)	13,520	Libertal likesia	(e)	Conc Floor	YES	0%	Series 1	Deyun							Walls demoed. Map files in center of room - removal? Hire contractor to repair conc floor.
		44	Tennila 9 File	-	Wd Floor - in?		50%									Fuel oil has saturated structural 1st floor frame, siding, and stud cavities. How to abate smell?
06377	42 Rendell	2 174	Transite & Fl'g		VVO FIOOT - In?	YES	100%	95%	80%							Fruer of that saturated structural 1st hoof frame, sluing, and stud cavities. How to abate smell?
06380	5 Park Row					AT RESIDENCE AND DESCRIPTIONS	THE RESIDENCE OF THE PARTY OF T			YES						Enviro Clean to install dehumidifier in basement.
06382	121 South Main Street	3,612 3,858				YES YES	100%	50% 50%	Begun Begun	YES	100					Enviro Clean to install dehumidifier in basement. Enviro Clean to install dehumidifier in basem't. Install new poly in crawl space. Pump fuel tank.
06381	123 South Main Street				-	YES	100%	50%		TEO.						Enviro Clean to install denumbilier in pasemit. Install new poly in crawl space. Pump luer talik,
06386	Recycling (Old Carpenter Shop)	8,912				The second second		3070	Begun						OV	DDC using building
-	Garage behind 123 So. Main St.	1,054		-		YES	No wrk needed	00/				1			OK	DPS using building.
	Storage Shed (BGS Maint & Fleet	400				THE RESIDENCE	1000	0%								Use where met stavens do not disting along up
06388	Gurage - (Curpet Storage)	1,440				Haz Mat Depo	100%	50%								Hazardous mat storage depot during cleanup
	Old Green House - Equipment St	756				YES	100%	95%	NA							
	Salt & Lumber Storage	1,200		-	0.5917.85	The Part of the Pa	THE RESIDENCE OF THE PARTY OF T									
	Logue Cottage	1,770			Wood floor	YES	100%	90%	75%							
06619	Garage at Logue Cottage	516	-				Leans to								62	Downtoned and COO/ downtoned Downtoned
	Steam Tunnels Total	704 465					Name and Post of the Owner, when the Post of the Owner, when the Owner, which the Owner, whi									Powerhouse tunnel pumped. 60% demucked & pumped. Wassen tunnel needs pumping and demucking.
	Total	704,465				-	CALITICAL			* Clauster 1	a all a · · ·	and mand of the	d of oor !	Land condition in the	l_	Wasson tunnel needs pumping and demucking.
Legend:	GW Savage - Tyler Savage	BGS					CAUTION						u or contamina	ted water. All 6	ejevators require	additional work to make operational. Report forthcoming wk of 9/12.
	Action Restoration - Chris Carter (CLEARED			** "Cleaned"						
	Compleat Restoration - Ryan Ellis	nPro - Bratt-tauli					NEEDS TO BE	LOOKED) AT	Step 1 -	Power wash	ning (0-50%).				

JFO 2522 - FEMA Grant Draft Motion

Move to accept the Governor's approval of JFO 2522, a grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to provide disaster assistance for damages caused by tropical storm Irene.



JFC Expedited Grant Review Amendment Draft Motion

Move to adopt the proposed Tropical Storm Irene Expedited Grant Review Policy as part of the Joint Fiscal Committee's Expedited Grant Review Policy.