

STATE OF VERMONT JOINT FISCAL OFFICE

MEMORANDUM

To:

Joint Fiscal Committee members

From:

Daniel Dickerson, Fiscal Analyst

Date:

December 2, 2019

Subject:

Grant Request – JFO #2982

Enclosed please find one (1) item, which the Joint Fiscal Office has received from the Administration.

JFO #2982 – \$454,392 from the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture (USDA) to the VT Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets. This funding will be used to develop and support innovation in the dairy industry. Innovation efforts will include marketing and market development, food safety trainings, studying the market for sheep and goat milk, as well as studying conversion to grass-based production. USDA requires that at least 50% of the grant funding be passed on to farmers and processors as sub-grants, and Vermont will be providing sub-grants and assistance to entities throughout New England and eastern New York. The remainder of grant funds will cover the cost of staff time. The grant funds will be used over three fiscal years, with sub-grants being made in years 2 and 3.

[JFO received 11/26/19]

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 December 16, 2019 we will assume that you agree to consider as final the Governor's acceptance of these requests.

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Grant Summary:			This is a USDA-AMS grant provide funding to develop and support innovation in the dairy sector, primarily through marketing, market development and trainings. At least 50% of these funds will be passed through as grants to dairy farms or coops.						
Date:			11/22/2019						
Department:			Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets						
Legal Title of Grant:			Dairy Business Innovation Initiative						
Federal Catalog #:			CDFA 10.176						
Grant/Donor Name and Address:			USDA-AMS 1400 Independence Ave, SW Room 4543-S Stop 0264 Washington, DC 20250-0264						
Grant Period: From:			9/30/2019 To: 9/29/2022			9/29/2022			
Grant/Donation			454,3	92					
	SF	Y 1		SFY 2		SFY 3	Total	Comments	
Grant Amount:	\$106	286	\$1	74,951		\$173,155	\$454,392		
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Additional Commo	ents:								
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Secretary of Admin	istration						1377	(Initial)	
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STATE OF VERMONT REQUEST FOR GRANT (*) ACCEPTANCE (Form AA-1)

BASIC GRANT INFOR	MATIC	N			
1. Agency:	Age	ncy of Agriculture, Fo	ood & Markets		
2. Department:					
3. Program:	Dai	ry Business Innovation	n Initiative		
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8. Purpose of Grant:

Vermont has been selected as one of three national dairy innovation initiatives and will be serving Vermont, New England, and eastern New York dairy farmers. The purpose of the funding is to develop and support innovation in the dairy sector, including marketing, market development, food safety trainings, understanding the market for sheep and goat milk, and conversion to grass-based production systems. In every grant round, at least 50% must be distributed as grants to dairy farmers or cooperatively owned processors to support the work in the topics outlined above.

9. Impact on existing program if grant is not Accepted:

If this grant funding is not accepted, AAFM will not be able to increase its ability to provide marketing, technical, and promotional assistance to Vermont and New England's dairy industry, the largest sector of Vermont's agricultural economy.

10. BUDGET INFORMATION					
	SFY 1	SFY 2	SFY 3	Comments	
Expenditures:	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	and retaining	
Personal Services	\$90,856	\$46,948	\$46,948	and the officers	
Operating Expenses	\$15,430	\$12,562	\$12,582	hill to laytreet	
Grants	\$	\$115,441	\$113,625	Algermanna	
Total	\$106,286	\$174,951	\$173,155	HALL IN DOCUMENT	
Revenues:					
State Funds:	\$	\$	\$	Seminaria de la composição	
Cash	\$	\$ 11 30 E	\$		
In-Kind	\$	\$	\$	Emine 1 No	
Federal Funds:	\$	\$	\$	PROJECTION OF	
(Direct Costs)	\$95,066	\$163,500	\$161,702	Week Table	
(Statewide Indirect)	\$	\$	\$	HERON TO Y	
(Departmental Indirect)	\$11,220	\$11,451	\$11,453		
Other Funds:	\$	\$	\$	grayay i na	
Grant (source)	\$	\$	\$.		
Total	\$106,286	\$174,951	\$173,155		
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STATE OF VERMONT REQUEST FOR GRANT (*) ACCEPTANCE (Form AA-1) \$ \$ \$ Total \$106,286 PERSONAL SERVICE INFORMATION 11. Will monies from this grant be used to fund one or more Personal Service Contracts? X Yes No If "Yes", appointing authority must initial here to indicate intent to follow current competitive bidding process/policy. Agreed by: Appointing Authority Name: (initial) Diane Both 12. Limited Service **Position Information:** # Positions Title **Total Positions** 0 12a. Equipment and space for these Is presently available. Can be obtained with available funds. positions: 13. AUTHORIZATION AGENCY/DEPARTMENT I/we certify that no funds Signature: Date: 11/7/19 beyond basic application preparation and filing costs Title: have been expended or Director committed in anticipation of Signature: Date: Joint Fiscal Committee approval of this grant, unless previous notification was Title: made on Form AA-1PN (if applicable): 14. SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION (Secretary or designee signature) Approved: 15. ACTION BY GOVERNOR Check One Box: Accepted (Goldman) Rejected 16. DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED **Required GRANT Documentation** Request Memo Notice of Donation (if any) Dept. project approval (if applicable) Grant (Project) Timeline (if applicable) Notice of Award Request for Extension (if applicable) Grant Agreement Form AA-1PN attached (if applicable)

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,

Grant Budget

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department, commission, board, or other part of state government (see 32 V.S.A. §5).



NOTICE OF AWARD

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United States Department of Agriculture

September 17, 2019

Agricultural Marketing Services

ATTN: Laura Ginsburg, Agriculture Development Section Chief

MONTPELIER, VT

Dairy Business Innovation **Initiatives**

SUBJECT: Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) Notice of Award (NOA) for

Agreement No. AM190100XXXXG081

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CFDA#: 10.176

Independence Ave, SW

Project Director: Laura Ginsburg

Room 4543-S Stop 0264

Project Title: Dairy Business Innovation Initiatives

Washington, DC

Period of Performance: September 30, 2019-September 29, 2022

\$454,392.00

AMS Award Amount: 20250-0264

Matching Funds Amount: \$0.00

Dear Laura Ginsburg:

The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) hereby awards a grant to AGRICULTURE FOOD & MARKETS VERMONTAGENCY OF in support of the above referenced program. This Award is pursuant to (CFDA# 10.176, Dairy Business Innovation Initiatives) and is subject to:

- 1. Your organization's application package, including the SF-424, SF-424B, Application/Project Narrative, Budget Summary/Narrative, other supporting letters and documents, as applicable, match verification, as applicable, AD-3030, Representations Regarding Felony Conviction and Tax Delinquent Status for Corporate Applicants, as applicable, and AD-3031, Assurance Regarding Felony Conviction or Tax Delinquent Status for Corporate Applicants, as applicable.
- 2. Agricultural Marketing Service Grants Division General Award Terms and Conditions (https:// www.ams.usda.gov/sites/default/files/media/FY2019GDTermsandConditions.pdf)

Acceptance of this award requires an authorized AGRICULTURE FOOD & MARKETS VERMONTAGENCY OF representative to sign and date the Grant Award and submit to Kristin Abernathy at Kristin. Abernathy@ams.usda.gov.

If you have any questions about this NOA, please contact the Federal Agency Project Manager listed in Box 13 of the attached Grant Agreement.

Sincerely,

Karla Whalen

USDA, Agricultural Marketing Service

CARGO CONTRACTOR OF	Grant Agreen	nent Face Sheet	motion of faithful Amendment		
1. Accounting Code: 9000013003	2. Vendor I.D. (EIN):		3. DUNS Number: 809376718		
4. Agreement Number: AM190100XXXXG081	5. Type of Instrument Grant Agreement	STRUCTURE OF SECURITION OF A CONTRACT OF THE SECURITION OF THE SEC	. CFDA Number: 10.176		
7. Title of Agreement: Dairy Business Innovation Initiatives	age called that ACCO year	St. Copp. in Production 1997. Call Long.	AN THE TAN WELL AND SHAPE OF THE		
8. Objective: Support dairy businesses in the development markets to reduce risk and develop higher-vathrough processing and marketing innovation 9. Statement of Work: This agreement shall be carried out by the or	alue uses for dairy produc n; and encouraging the us	ets; promoting business develo se of regional milk production.	pment that diversifies farmer income		
subject to the conditions provided in the Agr hereto and made a part of this agreement.					
10. Legal Authority: Section 204(b) of the Agricultural Marketing (Public Law 115—334), (7 U.S.C. § 1632d).		ented by section 12513 of the	Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018		
11. Federal Agency (Name and Address): Dairy Business Innovation Initiatives		12. Recipient: AGRICULTURE FOOD & MARKETS VERMONTAGENCY OF 116 STATE STREET MONTPELIER, VT 05620-2901			
13. Federal Agency Project Manager: Dewell Paez Delgado, Grants Management S Telephone: (202) 260-8636 Email: DEWELL.PAEZ-DELGADO@AMS	AUST ADMIN	14. Recipient Project Coord Laura Ginsburg, Agriculture Telephone: 802-522-2252 Email: laura.ginsburg@vern	e Development Section Chief		
15. Period of Performance: September 30, 2019 through September 29, 2022		16. Federal Agency Funding Amount: \$454,392.00	Non-Federal Matching Amoun \$0.00		
	PROV	ISIONS			
This Agreement incorporates the following: 1. Approved application and budget including any Marketing Service Grants Division General Awar FY2019GDTermsandConditions.pdf. 3. 2 CFR Pa	d Terms and Conditions (A	ugust 2019) available at https://ww			
17. Federal Agency Representative Approval: Karla Whalen Deputy Administrator Agricultural Marketing Service		18. Recipient Representative Approval: Name: Diane Bothfeld Title: Director of Administrative Services IV			
9. Federal Agency Representative Approve	al Signature: Date:	20. Recipient Representativ			
Karla Whalen	09/16/2019	Diane Bothfeld	09/17/201		

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1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; 2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or 3) email: program.intake@usda.gov. USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

Budget Details Table

	Funds Requested	Matching Funds	Gross Total By Line
Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00
Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fringe Benefits	0.00	0.00	0.00
Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.00
Contractual	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other	454,392.00	0.00	454,392.00
Total Direct Cost	454,392.00	0.00	454,392.00
Cooperator Indirect Cost	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gross Total	454,392.00	0.00	454,392.00