MEMORANDUM

To: Joint Fiscal Committee Members
From: Nathan Lavery, Fiscal Analyst
Date: April 23, 2013
Subject: Grant Requests

Enclosed please find two (2) items that the Joint Fiscal Office has received from the administration.

**JFO #2623** – $15,000 grant from the Lintilhac Foundation to the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation. These funds will be used to support the Flood Resilient Communities Program mandated by Act 138 of 2012. This program is intended to publicize incentives for communities to adopt local flood hazard bylaws and improve flood resilience. 

[**JFO received 04/23/13**]

**JFO #2624** – $10,000 grant from the Vermont Community Foundation to the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation. These funds will be used to develop a “Focus on Floods” website to support community efforts to assess flood vulnerability and identify opportunities to increase flood resilience.

[**JFO received 04/23/13**]

Please review the enclosed materials and notify the Joint Fiscal Office (Nathan Lavery at (802) 828-1488; nlavery@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 7 we will assume that you agree to consider as final the Governor’s acceptance of these requests.
STATE OF VERMONT  
FINANCE & MANAGEMENT GRANT REVIEW FORM

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Additional Comments:

Department of Finance & Management
Secretary of Administration
Sent To Joint Fiscal Office

RECEIVED
APR 23 2013
JOINT FISCAL OFFICE
**STATE OF VERMONT REQUEST FOR GRANT (*) ACCEPTANCE**  (Form AA-1)

### BASIC GRANT INFORMATION

1. **Agency:** Agency of Natural Resources  
2. **Department:** Department of Environmental Conservation  
3. **Program:** Flood Resilient Communities Program  
4. **Legal Title of Grant:** Lintilhac Foundation  
5. **Federal Catalog #:** N/A  
6. **Grant/Donor Name and Address:**  
   Lintilhac Foundation, 886 North Gate Rd., Shelburne, VT 05482  
7. **Grant Period:**  
   **From:** 5/1/2013  
   **To:** 6/30/2014  
8. **Purpose of Grant:** Vermont Flood Resilience Project  
9. **Impact on existing program if grant is not Accepted:** N/A  

### 10. BUDGET INFORMATION

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### PERSONAL SERVICE INFORMATION

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

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: David K. Mears 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.

13. AUTHORIZATION AGENCY/DEPARTMENT

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: 4/12/13
Title: Commissioner
Date:

Signature:
Title:

14. SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION

☑ Approved: (Secretary or designee signature) Date: 04/10/13

15. ACTION BY GOVERNOR

☐ Check One Box: Accepted (Governor's signature) Date: 4/19/13

☐ Rejected

16. DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED

☑ 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)
☐ Grant Budget

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).
To: Jeb Spaulding, Secretary of Administration
Through: Deb Markowitz, Secretary, ANR
From: David Mears, Commissioner, DEC
Date: April 12, 2013
Re: Attached AA-1 Forms

Attached please find three AA-1 forms. These forms request permission to expend three grants that were recently awarded to the Agency of Natural Resources, Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). All three grants are for a project to create a “Focus on Floods” web site and a Flood Resilient Communities Program.

Explanation of the Project

The Focus on Floods web site will create a comprehensive and interactive set of web resources, including flood hazard maps and planning tools, which Vermont municipalities, regional planning associations, community-based organizations and others can use to assess local vulnerability to flooding and plan actions to increase flood resilience. Such a web site won’t replace the critical work of providing in-person, technical assistance community by community, but state agencies have limited funds for delivering this kind of assistance, and a web site is a resource-efficient way to empower communities to ask and address their own questions, do their own assessment and planning, and discover and learn from what other communities are doing.

The Flood Resilient Communities Program (FRCP) was mandated by Act 138 passed in 2012. This program will coordinate and publicize incentives for communities to adopt robust local flood hazard bylaws and take other steps to improve their flood resilience. The web site will provide the main platform through which communities can learn about the program and the incentives it offers, and track their progress toward greater funding eligibility.

Why The Grants Are Needed?
DEC has an existing grant (HMGP) from Vermont Emergency Management, which is funded by FEMA’s Hazard Mitigation Grant Program to help fund this project along with other flood resilience work led by DEC. DEC sought these three grants to leverage the HMGP grant funds. The HMGP grant agreement commits DEC to deliver the website by the spring of 2014, which is also when the FRCP will be publicly launched.

These grants will be used to outsource web site programming and development services that are not available in-house. A portion of them may also be used to hire a short-term, temporary position to augment existing internal IT staffing. The final staffing plan will be developed in the next month in close consultation with ANR’s IT department.

If possible, DEC will use a DII approved contractor for this work. Please let me know if you have any questions about these forms or the grants they reference. Thank you.
post a copy of a sensitivity assessment and river corridor map received under
this subsection in the municipal offices and on the municipality’s website, if
the municipality regularly updates its website. A regional planning
commission shall post a sensitivity assessment or river corridor map received
under this subsection in the commission’s offices and on the commission’s
website. When a sensitivity assessment or a river corridor map is provided to a
municipality, provided to a regional planning commission, or posted on the
agency website, the agency shall provide all information, including the
supportive data, in a digital format.

(b) River corridor protection area bylaw. The secretary shall create and
make available to municipalities several alternative model river corridor
protection area bylaws or ordinances for potential adoption by municipalities
pursuant to 24 V.S.A. chapter 117 or 24 V.S.A. § 2291. The model bylaws or
ordinances shall use terminology consistent with the National Flood Insurance
Program regulations.

(c) Flood resilient communities program; incentives. No later than
February 1, 2013, the secretary of administration, after consultation with the
state agencies of relevant jurisdiction, shall offer financial incentives through a
flood resilient communities program. The program shall list the existing
financial incentives under state law for which municipalities may apply for
financial assistance, when funds are available, for municipal adoption and
implementation of bylaws under 24 V.S.A. chapter 117 that protect river
corridors and floodplains. The secretary of natural resources shall summarize
minimum standards for municipal eligibility for any financial incentives
established under this subsection.

*** Municipal Planning; Flood Hazard and
River Corridor Protection Areas ***

Sec. 11. 24 V.S.A. § 4303 is amended to read:

§ 4303. DEFINITIONS

The following definitions shall apply throughout this chapter unless the
context otherwise requires:

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(8) "Flood hazard area" for purposes of section 4424 of this title means
the land subject to flooding from the base flood. "Base flood" means the flood
having a one percent chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year
shall have the same meaning as "area of special flood hazard" under 44 C.F.R.
§ 59.1. Further, with respect to flood, river corridor protection area, and other
hazard area regulation pursuant to this chapter, the following terms shall have
the following meanings:

(A) "Floodproofing" means any combination of structural and
nonstructural additions, changes, or adjustments to properties and structures
that substantially reduce or eliminate flood damage to any combination of real
February 1, 2013

Deb Markowitz
Secretary
ANR
Center Building
103 South Main
Waterbury, VT 05671-0301

Dear Deb:

Please be advised that the Trustees of the Lintilhac Foundation have approved a grant in the amount of $15,000 to the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (ANR). This grant is in support of the Vermont flood resilience project.

Therefore, please find enclosed a Lintilhac Foundation check #5872 made payable to VT Agency of Natural Resources in payment of this grant.

I have enclosed an acknowledgement copy of this letter for you to sign and return to our office in the enclosed stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Cordially,

Crea Lintilhac
Secretary

CL/nb
Enc.

ACKNOWLEDGED AND APPROVED THIS 5TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2013.

[Signature]
Deb Markowitz

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